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Leaguers Handcuffed And Chained Paraded Through Streets Of India's Capital

Asaf Ali Says Those In Charge Of Law And Order "Provoke Disorder"

D. I. R. Used Not Against Enemies But Against Indians Themselves, Says Suhrawardy

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13, (A. P. I.): The Assembly carried without division Mr. Mohamed Nauman's adjournment motion to discuss the indiscriminate arrest of a large number of Moslem League workers and others in Delhi and the wanton use of handcuffs and chains by the Delhi police on February 12 in connection with the peaceful 'hartal' and protest demonstration staged by the Delhi public against the discriminatory treatment meted out to Capt. Abdul Rashid and demand for the release of I.N.A. personnel.

FIRST PART 'SUB-JUDICE'

At 4 p.m. the Home Member, Sir John Thorne, said that he had made enquiries and found that the 37 people who were arrested had been challenged in the court of the Additional District Magistrate, who had taken cognisance of the cases and the hearing would begin almost at once. The first part of the motion was, therefore, 'sub-judice' and the Home Member submitted that no part of the adjournment motion was, in the circumstances, admissible.

SECOND PART IN ORDER

The second part of the motion referring to the use of the wanton use of handcuffs and chains could not be discussed without prejudicing the cases which were now being taken on file. The Home Member said that the use of handcuffs was a matter which was obligatory on the police officers who effected the arrests because the arrested persons, by reason of their behaviour, and some of them by reason of their character, fell within certain categories of the police rules which enjoined the use of handcuffs.

The President ruled the motion in order but said that the scope of the debate should be limited to discussing in general terms whether in similar cases handcuffs or chaining was proper or not.

PARADED IN HANDCUFFS AND CHAINS

Mr. Mohd. Nauman, moving his adjournment motion, said that the arrests were made at the residences of the persons concerned. All of them were respectable gentlemen holding some responsible positions in the Muslim League and other organisations. They did not offer any resistance whatsoever. "In spite of the fact that they were willing prisoners, they were handcuffed for their humiliation. Not only that the police lorry in which they were taken was paraded from one street to another."

Mr. Nauman said that he personal-

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India As Number Six State

Has No Elected Representation On U.N.O.

(From Our Correspondent)
LONDON, Feb. 11

Indian people are not represented by their own elected representative on United Nations' organisation, but for privilege of being "represented" by Viceroy's nominee, their country is being asked to make a provisional advance of 10,97,750 American dollars to the working capital fund of new organisation. India ranks as high as number six state in this pool contribution by 51 nations belonging to the United Nations. Dominions of Australia, New Zealand, Canada and South Africa will be making following contributions respectively, 7,18,750 Dollars, 2,48,500 Dollars, 10,90,500 Dollars, 4,97,250 Dollars. Other leading contributors are United States 61 53,500 Dollars, United Kingdom 36,92,750 Dollars, U.S.S.R. 17,23,000 Dollars, France 14,00,000 Dollars, China 16,00,000 Dollars.

KOTLA MEMBERS QUIT EGYPTIAN CABINET

CAIRO, Feb. 13. (Reuter): Three representatives of the Kotla (Independent Wafdist Bloc) Party, including M. Makram Ebid Pasha, the Finance Minister, resigned today from the Egyptian Cabinet.

Ismail Re-elected President Of Union Indian Congress

CAPETOWN, Feb. 13 (Reuter): Mr. A Ismail has been reelected president of the South-African Indian Congress.

The headquarters of the Congress for the ensuing year will be Capetown.

CONGRESS LEADS IN FRONTIER

PESHAWAR, Feb. 13 (API): In a house of fifty, the Congress has so far secured 24 seats, Muslim League 11, Nationalist Muslims 2 and Sikhs (Akali) 1.

All the nine General Seats have been secured by the Congress.

Mr. Abdul Qayyum, former Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Central Assembly, has to-day been elected to the N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly on the Muslim League ticket from Peshawar City Constituency.

Following are the results announced to-day:—

Sardar Partap Singh (Akali) has been declared elected to the N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly from Peshawar Sikh Constituency by 3,626 votes defeating his rival Sardar Saran Singh (Congress) who polled 2,557 votes.

One Muslim League candidate and one Congress candidate have been declared elected from the Peshawar City Mohammedan Dual Constituency. The following is the result:

Mr. Yahyajan (Congress) 11,241; Mr. Abdul Qayyum Khan, Bar-at-Law (Muslim League) 9,077; Arbab Sher Akbar (Khaksar) 8,890; Abdul Rubb Nishtar, ex-Finance Minister 7,737; Mr. Abdul Qayyum Popalzai (Ahrar) 2,436.

One more Congress candidate has been declared elected from Mardan District Razzar Constituency. The Congress candidate Mr. Manulat Khan polled 7,053 votes as against 2,924 votes polled by Mian Ziauddin (League), Secretary, Provincial Muslim League.

One Jamiat-ul-Ulema candidate Nawabzada Allah Nawaz has also been declared elected from Dera South Constituency.

The following is the result:—

Nawabzada Allah Nawaz (Jamiat-ul-Ulema) 3 368; Nawabzada Zulfikar (Muslim League) 1,450; Mr. Abdul Rehman (Independent) 837; Mr. Jan Mohd. (Independent) 41 (forfeits security).

One more Muslim League candidate, Raja Abdur Rehman, former Minister of Information, has been declared elected to the Frontier Assembly from Abbotabad East Constituency. He secured 6,988 votes as against 599 votes polled by Mr. Mohd Azim (Khaksar), who forfeits his security.

CONGRESS BOOKS ALL HINDU SEATS

With the return of the Congress candidate Master Keval Ram to the N.W.F.P. Legislative Assembly today from Bannu Town General Constituency all the nine Hindu seats have been captured by the Congress Party. Master Keval Ram polled 4,869 votes as against 71 and 7 votes secured respectively by his rivals Mr. Parmanand Chikar (Hindu Mahasabha) and Rupchand (Independent), both of whom forfeited their security.

Persian Mission To Moscow

TEHERAN, Feb. 13, (Reuter): The Persian Mission headed by Mr. Ghavam Sultaneh, the Persian Prime Minister which is to go to Moscow for discussions with the Soviet Government expects to leave Teheran by Friday or Saturday at the latest, it was reliably reported here.

STOP PRESS

8 KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

LONDON, Feb. 13 (A.P.A.): Eight of the 24 passengers were killed in a transport plane disaster. Thirteen of the injured persons were rescued and the fate of the other three is not yet known.

SARAT BOSE'S ADVICE TO GOVERNOR

CALCUTTA, Feb. 14 (API): Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose in a statement issued to-night emphatically states that if the military had not been posted in Calcutta the city would have quickly returned to normal. He asks for the withdrawal of armed forces and advises the Governor to invoke the aid of leaders of public opinion.

DALMIA STRIKE AND LOCK-OUT

KARACHI, Feb. 13 (U.P.I.): Approximately 6,000 workers of the Dalmia Cement Factory have gone on strike. The strikers demand increased wages, a minimum dearness allowance of Rs. 18 p.m., provident fund, etc.

The Management has declared a lock-out.

First from left in the group on the right is Sir Frederick Burrows, Governor-Designate of Bengal, photographed on arrival at the Willingdon Airport, New Delhi on Monday.

RUSSIA REVIVING KHILAFAT

SEAT IN RUSSIAN TERRITORY, SAYS ANKARA RADIO

(From Our Correspondent)
JERUSALEM, Feb. 6.
(By Air Mail)

JAFFA:— The Soviet Government has decided to revive the Khilafat. That was broadcast by the Ankara radio on February 4, adding that there were in Russia over 50 million Muslims whom the Soviet Government was attempting to win over with a view to consolidating her influence among them as it did in the case of reinstalling the Orthodox Patriarchate in Russia with a view to winning over the Arab Orthodox communities in the Middle and Near East, according to the weekly "Al Hurriya".

But the seat of the Khilafat will be in Russian territory, the Ankara radio is reported to have said. By this move the Soviet Government hope to complete with the Arab League in spreading its influence over the Muslim world. Russia is considering the setting up of the Khilafat in the shortest possible time, and is preparing for the holding of an Islamic conference of Russian Muslims to decide the issue and elect a Khalifa, the Ankara radio said.

India's Food Delegation In U. K.

Ramaswami To Lead It In England: Srivastava In U.S.A.

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Members of the Indian Food Delegation already in this country have been in conference all day with Ministry of Food officials, regarding the Indian wheat situation and they will continue their talks tomorrow when the Indian rice crop will be under review.

Talks with other Government departments including the India Office are to go on throughout the week.

The remainder of the members of the Delegation are expected to arrive in London at week-end.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.)—Owing to illness, the Hon'ble Sir J. P. Srivastava will not be able to leave India immediately. Sir A. Ramaswami Mudaliar, who is already in London, will therefore lead the Indian Food Delegation in U.K.

It is hoped that the Hon'ble Food Member will be in a position to leave for Washington in time to lead the Delegation in U.S.A.

INDIAN SHIPS READY TO BRING SIAM RICE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.)—The Associated Press of India gathers that the Indian Shipping Companies are prepared to make shipping available for transport of rice from Siam.

It is stated that ships are now plying between India and Burma and should have little difficulty in going on to Siam and back. It was recently estimated that surplus Siamese rice amounts to about 16 lakhs of tons.

If the Indian Food Delegation is able to persuade the Combined Food Board to allocate any portion of this to India, Indian Shipping Companies are ready to bring it across to this country.

TWO GOVERNORS FOR DELHI

Sir Bertrand Glancy, Governor of the Punjab, is arriving in Delhi tomorrow morning. The Governor of U.P. is also expected to arrive in Delhi tomorrow.

INDIAN FAMINE PROSPECT CAUSING CONCERN IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, February 13 (U. P. A): Critical M.Ps. who are suspicious of the Government's attitude towards India fear the food position may be used to retard political advancement.

Mr. Reginald Sorensen, who returned from India yesterday, and other pro-Indian M.Ps. concurred with Mr. Gandhi's statement that a National Government at the Centre should fight the famine irrespective of partisan politics.

The Indian nationalist leader, Dr. V. K. Krishna Menon, told that United Press of America that India

TEN KILLED IN 'SUNDERLAND' CRASH

SOUTHAMPTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter): A 'Sunderland' flying-boat of the R. A. F. Coastal Command 'en route' to Karachi via Augusta, Sicilly, crashed into the sea and burst into flames off Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire, early to-day. The aircraft became a total wreck and eight airmen including the crew and emergency crew were killed.

LATER.

It is now officially stated that the number of dead is ten, not eight as originally announced.

Br. Empire's Food Problem

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter): An important top-level meeting of 'The London Food Council' has been called for next Tuesday.

This Council is the Regional British Empire Division—excludng Canada—of the Washington Combined Food Board.

Principal representatives of Britain, India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and British Colonies will attend.

INDIAN FOOD POSITION BROADCASTS IN U. S.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (A.P.A.) T. A. Raman, Director of India's Information Service, is planning a series of broadcasts on the Indian food crisis to the American people, it was announced to-day.

'HARTAL' AT JHANSI

JHANSI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): The city observed complete 'hartal' to-day as a protest against the reduction in the quota of wheat. Tongawalas also struck work to-day, their grievance being that they do not get gram for their horses.

618 INDIANS REPATRIATED

RANGOON, Feb. 12 (A.P.I.): Six hundred and eighteen Indians were repatriated yesterday by the S. S. Pulaski bound for Calcuta.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)
New York, Feb. 13

Previous closing	25.86
To-day's opening	25.83
Difference	—03
To-day's closing	25.86
Difference	nil.

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK Feb 13, (Reuters): New York stockexchange opening prices.

General Motors dol. 76-3/4; ex-dividend.

Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 48-7/8.

United States Steel Corporation Common dol. 93.

United States Steel Pref. unquoted.

Soaring Casualties In Calcutta Disturbances

32 KILLED, 300 INJURED, IN THREE DAYS

Bengal Govt.'s Stern Warning To Citizens

CALCUTTA, Feb. 13, (A.P.I.): The Government of Bengal have issued a warning to the citizens of Calcutta that any person obstructing or barricading public roads or interfering with the free use of any public road for lawful purposes, will be liable to be fired upon by police or Military. Instructions to this effect are being issued to the Military and the police authorities.

BAN ON PROCESSIONS AND MEETINGS

Government have also prohibited holding of public meetings and processions in the city by an order issued under section 144 Cr. P. C. until restoration of normal conditions.

CASUALTIES UPTO MIDNIGHT

Casualties as a result of today's police and military firing and other incidents number 12 dead and about 125 injured from a midnight check-up. Also, five persons who were admitted to hospitals yesterday died today, so that the total deaths today number 17.

Firing by police or Military was reported on about a dozen occasions today.

The total casualties for the three days of disturbances in Calcutta since Monday now add up to 32 killed and nearly 300 injured.

JINNAH FOR CALCUTTA

(A.P.I.) Mr. M. A. Jinnah will arrive in Calcutta from Delhi

Casey Responsible For Action Taken

LONDON, Feb. 13, (U.P.A.): In response to a United Press of America correspondent's question whether the Governor of Bengal, Mr. R. G. Casey, had the Secretary of State for India's consent to order military action on Calcutta's demonstrators, an India office spokesman today said that "the Governor, being the man on the spot, is responsible for any action taken."

day after tomorrow by the Delhi Mail.

DIST. MAGISTRATE ATTACKED AND CAR FIRED

CALCUTTA, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.)—The first case of firing in Calcutta today occurred at about 7-30 a.m.

This was in Jogu Babu Bazar, In

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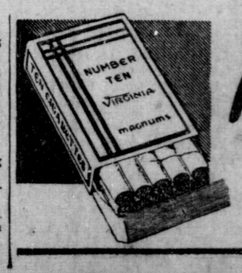

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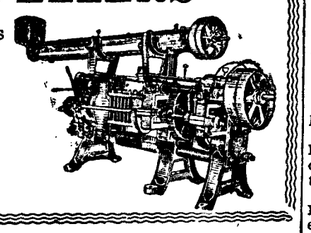

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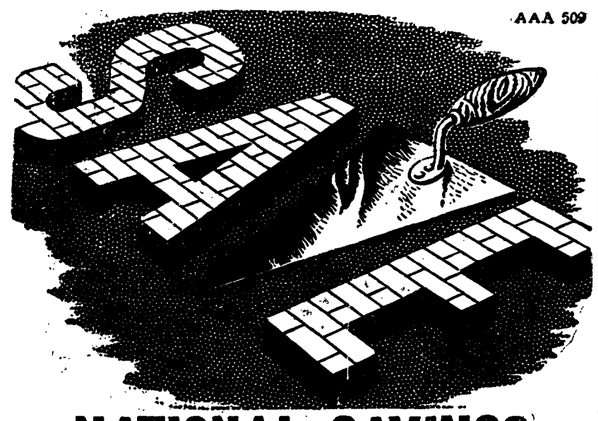

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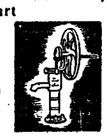

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"REDS" AND ROYISTS FIGHT CONGRESS IN RURAL AREAS

List Of Candidates For Bombay Assembly From Belgaum, Nagar And Nasik

BELGAUM DIST.:

BELGAUM, Feb. 12 (A.P.I.): Following is the final list of candidates contesting the Bombay Assembly elections in Belgaum District:

BELGAUM DISTRICT General Rural Northern Division Constituency (Three Seats): A. B. Latthe, R. A. Kulkarni, M. P. Patil, (all three Congress); M. H. Patil (Radical Democrat); G. B. Gijavanekar (Independent).

Dr. G. B. Kadalgekar (Congress) withdrew his candidature.

BELGAUM DISTRICT General Rural Southern Division (Three Seats): S. N. Angadi, N. B. Dalawai, S. B. Kurte (all three Congress); B. B. Mamadepur (Independent).

Five candidates have withdrawn.

BELGAUM DISTRICT Mahomedan Constituency (One Seat): A. A. Gheewala (Muslim League); Masham Saheb Jamadar and Khaidir Saheb Sheikh (both Independent); Abdul Razak Havaldar (Nationalist Muslim).

NAGAR DIST.:

AHMEDNAGAR: Mr. P. K. Bhapkar (Congress) withdrew his nomination paper to-day leaving Mr. L. M. Patil, Mr. R. B. Grime, K. R. Garud and D. A. Deshmukh (all Congress); Chandhrabhan Athre and Ramre (Communist); T. S. Paik (Independent Labour Party) and Ramnath Agarwal (Independent) to contest four seats from Ahmednagar North General Rural Constituency.

For three seats from Ahmednagar South General Constituency: K. S. Firodia, P. K. Bhapkar and R. M. Najawade (all Congress); P. J. Roham (Scheduled Castes Federation), Bhingardive and Gaikwad (Independent) are the candidates left after the withdrawal of Mr. R. A. Patil (Hindu Mahasabha) and K. R. Garud (Congress).

NASIK DIST:

Mr. K. R. Wagh who had filed his nomination papers yesterday from Nasik West General Constituency as an official Congress candidate withdrew to-day as a result of discussion with Mr. T. R. Deogirikar, Secretary of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee, who arrived here to-day from Poona on special invitation from local Congress leaders and Mr. B. R. Jadhav has been declared as an official Congress candidate.

Seven candidates withdrew from the contest to-day for three seats from the Nasik West General Rural Constituency leaving the following nine to contest: V. N. Naik, G. H. Deshpande and B. R. Jadhav (all official Congress); R. B. Khadilkar (Varnashram Swarajya Sangh), S. P. Abhyankar (Hindu Mahasabha), P. M. Murkute, Y. G. Wagh and R. B. Thorat, sitting member and V. R. Kothavale (all Independent) for the fourth seat reserved for Scheduled Castes, Mr. B. K. Gaikwad, sitting member (Scheduled Castes Federation) and A. D. Rankhambe (Congress) are the contestants.

Three candidates withdrew leaving the following eight to contest three seats from Nasik East General Rural Constituency: S. K. Patil, M. L. Jadhav and D. M. Bidkar (all Congress); Dr. Miss Grace Serah James Lonche (Independent Labour Party); R. M. Sharma (Varnashram Swarajya Sangh), D. J. Patil (Radical Democratic Party); M. T. Patil and Y. N. Jadhav (both Independent).

Mohammed Haroon Abdul Rehman withdrew his nomination for the election for one seat from Nasik District Mohammedan Rural Constituency thus leaving Khan Saheb Abdul Raheem Baboo Hakeem (League) and A. R. Maulavi Abdul Majid (Jamait-ul-Ulema-i-Hind) to contest.

IN ORISSA:

CUTTACK, (U.P.I.): The final list of selected Congress nominees for the ensuing elections have been forwarded by the Utkar Provincial Congress Committee to the Central Parliamentary Board for approval.

Mr. Nabakrishna Choudhury, Secretary of the Utkal P.C.C. interviewed by the United Press of India said that Congress is contesting 53 out of the 56 elected seats, other three seats being Muslim seats, which will be contested by Nationalist Muslims. Only 12 sitting members have been selected and eight out of 11 Executive members of the Provincial Congress Committee, including Mr. Radhakrishna Biswas Roy, President and Mr. Nabakrishna Chaudhury, Secretary, are seeking election. Mr. Harekrishna Mahatab, member of the Congress Working Committee, is also in the list of Congress candidates. All special seats—Labour, Commerce, Christian and Women are being contested. It is also learnt that of the three ex-Congress Ministers, only one has been given nomination.

THANA NORTH ELECTION TO PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, Feb. 11

Congress Parliamentary Board selected Messrs. G. D. Vartak of Virar, V. V. Kirtane of Dahanu and M. J. Sankhe of Palghar to contest for the three seats in Thana North at the ensuing elections to the Provincial Assembly. It now appears that Hindu Mahasabha has at last decided to put up Prof. G. M. Patil of Shirgaon their candidate for one of these seats. It is also understood that the Royist group has also selected one Mr. Patil to contest for the seat reserved for the backward classes. Communists also propose to put up one candidate.

Mr. Fakhruddin Ghulam Hoosein Has Not Withdrawn His Candidature

Mr. Fakhruddin Ghulam Hoosein, who had filed his papers for nomination as candidate for the Bombay Legislative Assembly from the City South Muslim Constituency, has not withdrawn his candidature as was incorrectly reported in yesterday's paper.

INDIA MAKES PLANTS FOR SUGAR MANUFACTURE

Govt. Replies On Raja Mahendra Pratap And Afghan Detenus To Assembly Questions

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): Mr. A. A. Waugh, Supply Member, informed Mr. Manu Subedar in the Central Assembly to-day that according to present information the estimated cost of he proposed Government ammonium sulphate factory would be Rs. 10.79 crores.

Replying to Mr. K. C. Neogy, Mr Waugh said that the main contract for erecting the factory would be entered into with an American firm and the second main contract would be with a firm in the United Kingdom, who had specialised in the manufacture of big plants. A great part of the work in India would be done by Indian firms. The two firms, Mr. Waugh said, had no continuing interest in the working of the factory.

PLANTS MANUFACTURED IN INDIA

Mr. Manu Subedar: Is it a fact that plants for the manufacture of sugar, vegetable ghee, distillery equipment, oil expellers and many other industrial plants on order have been manufactured in India during the war?

Mr. Waug: Yes, with the exception of certain parts like electrical machinery. Complete sugar plants, however, have not been manufactured in India.

Q.: Have Government made any provision to see that orders to the full capacity are given to the local manufacturers for the class of goods which they are manufacturing satisfactorily?

A.: Government have no hand in placing of private orders for these plants by users and it is for the manufacturers themselves to canvass orders for full capacity. For stores which are under control, Indian production is taken into account when issuing licences for imports.

Mr. Waugh said it had been decided that before some items of machinery were allowed to be imported, it should be examined whether they were not being, or could not be, manufactured in India.

Mr. Subedar: There is a complaint that the planning, development, commerce and food departments are placing orders in the United Kingdom rather than have the goods manufactured in India. Will the Supply Member investigate it?

Mr. Waugh: Yes.

INDIA GOVT. NOT INTERESTED

Pandit Sri Krishna Dutt Paliwal: Is it a fact that Raja Mahendra Pratap was arrested in Japan under the order of Gen. MacArthur on the ground that he was the General of the Aryan Army there? Will the External Affairs Secretary state the present whereabouts of Raja Mahendra Pratap?

Mr. Weightman: The Government of India have no official information but have seen press reports of his arrest and subsequent release in Japan.

Mr. Weightman said that since Raja Mahendra Pratap renounced his British Indian nationality, Government were under no obligation to afford him entry into India.

Prof. Ranga: In view of the fact that many people in this country are interested in his welfare, will Government make enquiries about his whereabouts?

Mr. Weightman: I suggest that Raja Mahendra Pratap's family may make enquiries.

AFGHAN DETENUS

The External Affairs Secretary, Mr. Weightman replying to Mr. Sri Prakasa, said that there were 10 persons detained in jail in India who were connected in varying degrees of remoteness with previous dynasties in Afghanistan. Six persons, namely, Sardar Ghulam Ahmad, Sardar Fazal Ahmad, Sardar Ali Mohammad, Sardar Fakir Ahmad, Sardar Abdull Jan and Sardar Mohd. Hasan Khan were detained for reasons of State connected with external affairs. Besides four ladies, who were dependants of the first four persons, accompanied them by their own wish. Eight of the detenus received allowances totalling Rs. 11,160 per annum. In addition Government expends some Rs. 4,000 per annum on the education of the children of Sardars Ghulam Ahmad and Ali Mohammad.

Sardars Abdul Jan and Mohd. Hasan Khan had only recently been placed under detention and the question of the allowances to be granted to them or their families had yet to be decided Maintenance costs for all amounted to roughly Rs. 3,650 per annum.

Mr. Sri Prakasa: Are they being detained for offences committed in India?

Mr. Weightman: These persons have been implicated in efforts to subvert the Government of a neighbouring friendly Government operating from bases in India.

Mr. Weightman added there was no time limit for their detention.

OIL SEEDS BILL GOES TO SELECT COMMITTEE

Assembly Agrees To Circulate Pharmacy Measure

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.)—The Assembly agreed to the circulation of the Health Secretary's Bill to regulate the Profession of Pharmacy in India.

Mr. S. H. Y. Oulsnam, Health Secretary, replying to the points raised during the discussion, said that he endorsed Dr. Deshmukh's plea for a more active public interest in health measures.

He hoped that the report of the Health Survey and Development Committee, which would be published in a few days, would help to stimulate public interest.

The Bill, said Mr. Oulsnam, was concerned with one specific problem, i.e., that of ensuring that the persons engaged in the profession of Pharmacy were adequately qualified. He gathered that Dr. Deshmukh's complaint was that it did not go far enough. When the Bill eventually went into the Select Committee, he hoped Dr. Deshmukh would help him to perfect it.

CESS ON OIL SEEDS

The House took up consideration of Sir Pheroze Kharegat's Bill to provide for the creation of a fund to be expended by a Committee specially constituted for improvement and development of the cultivation and marketing of oil seeds and of the production, manufacture and marketing of oil seed products.

Sir Pheroze said that the total value of oil seed produced in India was about Rs. 200 crores a year and it was but right and proper that a crop of this magnitude should receive adequate attention.

The aim of the Committee would be not to increase the acreage of oil seeds but to increase production per acre and the oil content.

Hence it was unlikely that the attention paid to oil seeds would affect food production. It was absolutely essential to increase India's production of fats and oils.

Production must be increased by about 250 per cent in order to meet the needs of the country.

The Bill proposed to levy a cess of one anna per maund.

It worked out at 1/2 per cent of the price of the oil seed and would be shared by the producer, consumer, manufacturer and trader so that the actual incidence of the cess on any one group would be negligible.

RANGA'S AMENDMENT

Prof. N. G. Ranga (Congress) moved an amendment for the reference of the Bill to a Select Committee with instructions to report by February 25. He supported the principle of the Bill but suggested changes in the composition of the proposed Committee. He wanted that one-third representation in the Committee should be allotted to growers and, if need be, the strength of the Committee itself should be increased. The levy of the cess, he said, should be confined to the oil extracted and oil cakes should be excluded from taxation because it was used by peasants as manure.

Dr. G. V. Deshmukh (Congress) considered the Bill was in the right direction. There were, however, certain defects which he hoped the Select Committee would rectify. The Bill, among other things, was intended to improve the marketing of oilseeds but he found that in the proposed committee no representation had been given to the Seeds Traders Association of Bombay which was rendering valuable service for the proper marketing of seeds.

Dr. Deshmukh urged for an investigation of oil seeds as food. According to nutrition experts properly cured ground nuts was protective food with a good nutritive value and in view of the grave food shortage in the country Government should consider the question of utilising ground nuts for food.

WHAT ABOUT STATES?

Mr. Leslie Gwilt (European Group) said that the Nizam's State and certain other Indian States in Kathiawad alone exported to British India about 55,000 tons of groundnut oil. If the cess was levied in those two areas it would yield over Rs. 235,000. He asked how Government proposed to deal with the question of the non-payment of cess in Indian States.

Mr. Md. Nauman (League) supported the motion for reference to Select Committee.

Mr. Venkatasubbah Reddiar (Congress) supported the demand for greater representation in the Committee for growers.

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar opposed the principle of the Bill. He was against the export of raw produce. He urged the encouragement should be given for the establishment of Growers' Societies in the various districts and in the provinces. Funds required for the standardisation of oilseeds and for their proper marketing should be met from the General Revenues.

Sardar Sampuran Singh (Akali) welcomed the measure.

Mr. Madandhara Singh (Independent) did not consider the proposed legislation would be of much use to agriculturists.

Replying to the debate Sir Pheroze Khareghat said that the legislation would definitely help the agriculturists. It aimed at increased production which meant greater yield of oil. The export of oil seeds, he said, had already dropped from thirteen and half lakhs tons to three and half lakhs tons. Production of oil seeds had also improved from 4.1 million tons in 1938-1939 to 4.5 million tons during the last year. After the Bill was passed in the House, Government hoped to ask Indian States to adopt similar measures in their respective States.

The House agreed to Prof. Ranga's motion for reference to a Select Committee.

The House passed two Bills moved by the Law Member further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure.

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KANDEWADI RAMANUJACHARYA PASSES AWAY

(From A Correspondent)

'Kandewadi Ramanujacharya', the religious head and Guruji of Narayanwadi Temple at Kandewadi, Bombay, died at the age of 66 on the 10th February at his residence. All the disciples of the Swamiji including the trustees carried body in procession in a flower "mandap" to the cremation ground with due respect and honour. Right through the procession 'Bhajan' and prayers were offered by the disciples.

More than 100 years ago the great grand-father of this Swamiji, who was a native of Chikka Ballapur in the Mysore State, migrated from that place, carrying with him the idols of Sri Ramanujacharya and Balaji, and arrived in Bombay by walking the distance. Here he settled down permanently. Gradually Swamiji won the love of the people. He preached to them the faith of Ramanujacharya. When the deceased Ramanujacharya came to the 'Gadi' he was only of sixteen years of age. He leaves behind him four sons and three daughters, his wife, and a number of disciples to mourn his death.

Venu Naicker Passes Away

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

News has been received in Bombay of the sad death of Vidwan R. Venu Naicker, the well-known 'Kanjira' and 'Mridang' player at his residence in Madras on Tuesday at 8 p.m. The late Mr. Venu Naicker was a player of high ranking and was contemporary of veterans like late Dakshinamoorthi and Alaganambi. Bombay music circles will remember him as the 'Mridang' artiste who accompanied Smt. Subbulakshmi at her recital at the Vikram Music festival held two years back at the Senate Hall. He willingly co-operated with her in the national cause of 'Kasturba fund' recitals. It was exactly two months back that Mr. Naicker had to leave abruptly the concert hall at Matunga during Subbulakshmi's recital, because of a serious heart attack. He recovered rapidly under best medical aid and left for Madras. He was 53 at the time of his death.

KUMARI HEMAMALINI'S

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: Meeting at 3 p.m. (B.T.) to-day.

To-day's Engagements

MUNICIPAL PRIMARY EDUCATION DRIVE: Meeting near Rangari Chawl, Chinchpokli, Parel Road at 6 p.m. to-day.

THE INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE: Programme of Instrumental Music (Sanhai) by Bismillah Party of Benares at 10 p.m. to-day at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Road Tram Terminus, Girgaum.

SOUTH INDIAN SANGEETHA SABHA: Musical Concert by Travancore Samasthana Vidwan Sri M. A Kalyanakrishna Baghavathar and Party at 8-15 p.m. (S.T.) to-day at the South Indian Education Society's School Hall, Brahminwada, Matunga (G.I.P.).

MAZDAZNAN: Dr. Edul-Behram will deliver a lecture on "Water Cures: how to take and when to take" to-day at 6 p.m. at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road.

GITA KENDRA (Matunga): Discourses on Gita by Acharya T. A. Venkateswara Dikshitar to-day and to-morrow at 9 p.m. at the Asthika Samaj Hall, Matunga.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: At Green's Hotel at 6-15 p.m. to-day when Mr. M. R. Masani, M.L.A. (Central) and Chairman of the Peoples Provincial Food Council will speak on the "Food Crisis".

TANKAR MANDAL & KHAR RESIDENTS ASSN.: Under joint auspices of the above organisations. Dr. Agarwal will give a lecture on "Eyes: How to improve your vision" at 8-30 p.m. to-day at Laxminagar Hall, 10th Road, Khar.

SILVERFISH: Lecture on 'The Theatre' by Captain Anderson (E. N. S. A.) at 6 p.m. at 188, Hornby Road.

INDO-ARAB CULTURAL ASSOCIATION: Mr. Sayyid Baquir Ali Tirmidhi's lecture on 'Arabic Studies in Gujarat' at the Royal Asiatic Society Library Hall at 5-30 p.m. to-day

PROVINCIAL SAVINGS WEEK: Public meeting to inaugurate the Provincial Savings Week will be held at 6 p.m. in St. Xavier's High School Hall at Carnac Road, Bombay. Sir Jehangir B. Boman Behram, Kt., will preside. Lt. Col. C. K. Daly, National Savings Commissioner, will address the meeting.

BALKAN-JI-BARI—Bombay Provincial Executive Committee's meeting at 6 p.m. (S.T.) to-day, at Sir Vithaldas Chambers, 16, Apollo Street.

INDIAN CENTRAL COTTON COMMITTEE: The third All-India Cotton Forecast 1945-46 estimates will be exhibited in the Cotton Exchange (in the office of the East India Cotton Association, Ltd., and in the Trading Hall of the Association), Marwari Bazar, Bombay, and in the Cotton Green Building of the Association, Sewri, Bombay, at 3 p. m. to-day (Thursday).

BOMBAY STUDENTS' CONGRESS: A public reception will be accorded to Smt. Aruna Asaf Ali at Bori Bunder at 9 a.m. to-day on her arrival in Bombay.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Prof. V. B. Athavale will deliver lecture on 'The Date of the starting of the Kaurava and Pandava Armies' at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan at 5-30 p.m. to-day. Dr. Bool Chand will preside.

CONGRESS HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT: Under the auspices of the B.P.C.C., Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali will address a public meeting to-day (Thursday), at 6-30 p.m. at the Chowpatty Sands. Shri Nagindas T. Master will preside.

BOMBAY EAST & WEST FRATERNITY CLUB: The next meeting will be on Monday 18th instant at 6-30 p.m. at the Government Law College. Col. H. L. Boltbee is giving a talk on 'Archaeology.'

BOMBAY STUDENTS' CONGRESS: The Joint Secretaries of the Bombay Students' Congress have issued the following: The conveners of the Girl Students' Sub-Committee have decided to carry on some of the items of the constructive programme viz:—(1) First Air Training Classes, (2) Hindustani Classes (3) Information Bureau, (4) Handicrafts, (a) Leather work, (b) Potter painting, (c) Embroidery and selected village crafts. Girl students desirous of joining this should give their names and addresses to the representative of their respective schools or colleges or to the conveners of the committee in the offics of the Bombay Students' Congress between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. daily. The classes will begin from March 1.

Foreign Scholarships

In connection with the award of 40 scholarships by the Government of Bombay, under the Government of India scheme of sending abroad students for advanced technical and scientific studies, applicant who possess a first-class Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualifications may also apply. Preference will, however, be given to those who possess a First-Class Master's degree or equivalent qualifications and to those who have acquired some practical and research experience.

Jobs For Service Men

The Government of Bombay has directed that the reservation of vacancies in the Provincial, Subordinate and Inferior Services of the Government and other concessions given to persons with approved war services should continue in force to the end of the calendar year 1946.

Worli Chawls

The Government of Bombay has cancelled its orders declaring three Worli chawls to be a prison.

Pottery Industry

The Government of Bombay has sanctioned the continuance of the scheme for the development of the pottery industry for a further period of two years, from April 1, 1946. The duration of the courses is to be extended from 6 to 12 months and 10 potters are to be admitted to each course, instead of six as at present.

Railway Contractor's Suit Settled

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kania).

Messrs. Fakirji Rustomji and Sons .. Plaintiffs.
vs.
Messrs. Agarwal and Sons .. Defendants.

The plaintiffs are carting agents of the Administration of the G.I.P. Railway appointed under an Agreement dated 21st August 1926 under which they were liable both to the Railway Administration as well as to consignees and owners for loss or damage to any parcel handed over to them for delivery to consignees. Between March and June 1944, the Lac Products Ltd. of Calcutta consigned several drums of lac plastic moulding powder to Victoria Terminus which were delivered to the defendants but of which the Railway receipts were made out in the names of Lac Products Ltd. It was alleged that when these goods were from time to time delivered to the defendants they expressed their inability to surrender the railway receipts but signed a receipt by which they undertook that if the railway receipts were not surrendered within 24 hours the defendants would indemnify the plaintiffs for any loss or damage sustained by them. It was further alleged by the plaintiffs that the defendants having failed to pay for some of those goods to the Lac Products Ltd., the latter had endorsed the Railway receipts to a third party who asked the railway administration for delivery of the goods against those railway receipts, and as the railway administration had already delivered those goods to the defendants, claimed the value of the goods from the Railway administration who called upon the plaintiffs to discharge the Liability under the Agreement of 21st August, 1926. The Plaintiffs in their turn claimed to be indemnified by the defendants in respect of Rs. 3,750-13-0 being the value of the goods for which they had become liable, and filed this suit to recover the amount.

The defendants denied that their employees who had signed the receipts on delivery of the goods had authority to do so, that in any event by signing those receipts they had merely undertaken to execute an Indemnity Bond and that the plaintiffs having not incurred any liability were not entitled to maintain this suit.

After the hearing had proceeded for some time, by consent of parties His Lordship ordered the defendants to deposit Rs. 3,500 in court by monthly instalments of Rs. 1000 each, in default of payment of any instalment by the defendants the whole to become due and recoverable by the plaintiffs and to be deposited in Court. The defendants undertook to file a suit against Messrs. Lac Products Ltd. within a month and paid Rs. 300 towards the plaintiffs' costs of the present suit.

Mr. P. P. Khambatta instructed by Messrs. Aibara and Co. appeared for the plaintiffs.

Mr. M. V. Desai instructed by Messrs. Benjamin Chhatrapati and Co. appeared for the defendants.

New High Court Judge

It is reliably understood that Mr. Y. V. Dixit has been appointed an Additional Judge of the Bombay High Court. Mr. Dixit is a practitioner of twenty years' standing on the Appellate Side of the High Court where he has commanded a large practice. He is about 47 years of age.

Parts Of Surat Court Gutted By Fire

SURAT, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): Parts of the City Magistrate's Court, including the Magistrate's Chamber and Record Room, situated in the ancient Surat Castle, were gutted by a fire early this morning.

Records and furniture of the Court and yarn and other confiscated material kept in the premises, were destroyed by the fire.

ANOTHER TWO ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED HORSE-DOPING

Yet two more persons have been arrested by Inspector Hampton, of the General Branch of the C.I.D., for the alleged doping of race-horses.

The arrested men are Bhola Matabhik, a riding boy, and Nabibux Khan, a Jemadar.

In putting them up before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, it was stated that the accused used their influence on four different occasions in order to induce syces to dope horses.

The Magistrate ordered the men to be released on bail of Rs. 10,000 each.

It is learnt that the men were arrested in Poona, on information supplied by certain syces, who are already in police custody, and brought down to Bombay. It is also learnt that, quantities of drugs and chemicals were seized from the rooms of the arrested men. It is expected that the arrests might lead to the "hidden hand", which is suspected to be directing the operations.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

THURSDAY, Feb. 14.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H) 8.15 News (E) 8.30 Tarabai Bharatpuri 8.45 Musical Interlude 8-50 News (M) 9-0 News (G) 9-10 Programme Parade 9.15 Gururao Deanpande 9.45 Instrumental Melodies.

12.30 p.m. Hindustani Songs 12-45 News (M) 12.50 News (G) 12.55 News (H) 1-0 Selection 1.30 News (E) 1.40 Music 2.30 For Women 4.20 School Broadcast 5.0 Durgabai Shirodkar 5-30 Abdul Rahman Shah 5.45 Topical Talk 6.55 Locals. 6.0 Mohan B. Nagarkar 6-15 Tarabai Bharatpuri 6.30 News (E) 6.40 News (H) 6.45 Shamsuddin 7-15 Mohan B. Nagarkar 7.30 Durgabai Shirodkar 8.0 Ade Raste 8.15 News (M) 8.30 News (G) 8-45 Choruses 9.0 News (H) 9-20 News (E) 9-30 B. B C News Relay 9-40 Naghana 9-45 Sports Review 10-0 Kaye Grant: Soprano 10.10 Interlude 10.20 Earnest Politzer 10-40 Interlude 10.46 Avie Billmoria.

INDIANS THROWN OUT TO MAKE ROOM FOR BRITISHERS

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Feb. 13

In reply to a question in the Central Legislative Assembly, the War Secretary admitted that about 2,000 Indian officers from the Navy were being sent away because the Navy was not large enough to take the men.

Mr. Manu Subedar asked why forty Permanent Commissions and 300 officers seconded or loaned from the British Navy were being appointed, when the sons of the soil who had given good service were being thrown out.

The reply was that men had to be taken to do specific work and gaps by certain age groups had to be filled with Britishers.

When further pressed by Mr. Manu Subedar, Government promised to consider utilising the Indians by some adjustment instead of taking up Britishers in the Royal Indian Navy.

Way Out Of Food Scarcity

BOMBAY, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): The creation of committees composed of prominent local leaders in different areas in each province to study the food situation in all its aspects—production, distribution and consumption—is suggested by Mr. C. S. Patel, newly elected member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly from the Indian Merchants' Chamber on Congress ticket.

Postmen Give Notice

It is learnt that the All-India Postmen and Packers Union, served notice on the postal authorities that they will go on strike on March 11 if their demands are not accepted.

Kher For Wardha

Mr. B. G. Kher is leaving to-day for Wardha by Calcutta Mail to attend meetings of Hindustani Prachar-ak and Navi Talimi Sangh. He is expected back in Bombay on Sunday.

SAVINGS WEEK
Celebrations Begin Today

The Provincial Savings Week begins on the 14th February, 1946 and is being celebrated throughout the Province.

Mr. K. R. Mehta, the Provincial National Savings Officer, has issued a circular describing the ways in which the Week is to be celebrated.

In Bombay City he has arranged for a public meeting to inaugurate the Week. Sir Jehangir B. Boman Behram will preside and Lt. Col. C. K. Daly, C.S.I., O.I.E., the National Savings Commissioner, Simla, who is on a visit to Bombay will be the chief speaker. Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, Mr. K. R. Mehta and others will also address. An element of entertainment has been introduced into this meeting by enlisting the services of Messrs. Mehta and Tavadia of the Society of Indian Magicians. This meeting to be held at St. Xavier's High School Hall, Carnac Road, on the first day of the Provincial Savings Week, to-day (Thursday) at 6 p.m. Admission to the meeting is free.

The most important feature of the Small Savings Scheme now is the formation of Savings Groups. The Small Savings Scheme being meant for the common man, the Small Savings Organization does not rest content with inducing those who have already saved their money to invest it in National Saving Certificates. It seeks to teach the invaluable habit of thrift to the masses and to make it worth the Auhorised Agents' while organizes a number of Groups so that the Authorized Agents can induce with the minimum of labour the maximum number of small investors to invest their small savings in National Saving Certificates and Stamps. Nearly a thousand Groups have already been formed in the Districts of Bombay Province and an effort is being made to form Savings Groups in Bombay City also.

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EMPLOYMENT FOR 4,000 I.N.A. MEN

Bombay Millowners' Chief Gives Assurance

WARDHA, Feb. 13 (UPI): Mr. D. M. Khatau, President, Bombay Millowners' Association, the United Press of India' understands, has assured the I.N.A. Relief Committee, Calcutta, to render wholehearted co-operation in securing employment for the I.N.A. people. He is reported to have said that he would secure employment for 4,000 I.N.A. people in cotton mills in Bombay in the near future.

Mr. Khatau also assured that he would try to get work for the I.N.A Cadets in one of the air factories in India.

It might be recalled that Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose had sent some I.N.A. boys to Tokyo for training in the Japanese Air Force and the Military Academy, who have returned to India. Sixteen of them are at present in Calcutta.

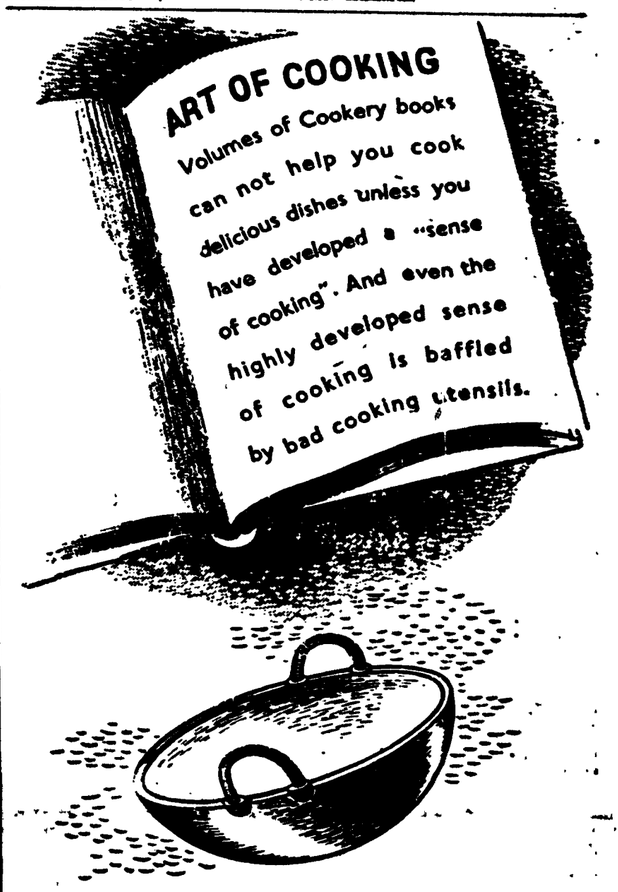
"LET US MOVE WITH THE TIMES"

N. S. Gubbi's Plea At Kanwa Brahmin Mandal Meeting

"This is not the time to indulge in theological discussions of our problem but we must set our shoulders to the wheel and look around with progressive outlook; otherwise we shall soon be pushed over board", observed Mr. N. S. Gubbi presiding over the first annual general meeting of the Akhil Kanwa Shakkhiya Brahmin Mandal, Bombay, at the Brahmin Seva Mandal Hall, Dadar, last evening.

'Our young men can no longer remain priests and sit in a Muth or count their beads all day long'. Mr. Gubbi said, India, he thought, occupied a very low position among the nations of the world due to her orthodox notions. Spectacular, old and worn out customs were unsuited to the present day and it was time that these notions were cast aside and efforts made to move with the times.

The meeting was attended by representatives from all over India and it was addressed by Dr. L. N. Patil, Mr. Y. G. Joshi, Mr. Andharikar and Mr. Kulkarni.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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The noble sort of man pays special attention to nine points. He is anxious to see clearly, to hear distinctly, to be kindly in his looks, respectful in his demeanour, conscientious in his speech, earnest in his affairs; when in doubt, he is careful to inquire; when in anger, he thinks of the consequences; when offered an opportunity for gain, he thinks only of his duty.

—Confucius.

The Bombay Chronicle

AN URGENT NEED

It is much to be hoped that the Viceroy, who consulted Gandhiji with regard to the food crisis, will promptly act up to his advice to form a national Government irrespective of parties. It is sound advice and is sure to be supported by the whole country. Nor is there any insuperable difficulty in the way. Indeed, the Viceroy's last year's attempts to form a popular Government should not have been suspended at all. Even then the food situation was bad enough and it was mainly for that reason that Congress went out of its way to offer him an unprecedented measure of co-operation. It was a pity he made no use of the offer, probably on the ground that it might be easier to form a popular Government after the elections to the Central Legislature. The elections are now over and there should be no serious difficulty in forming a cabinet from among the members of the Assembly and the best persons outside it, enjoying its confidence. As this cabinet is temporary and mainly for a specific purpose on which parties are not divided, the usual plea of non-agreement among parties should not be allowed to stand in the way. If the Viceroy is both tactful and firm it should be easy enough for him to secure an agreed personnel. The best method is to choose the fittest persons.

In the last resource there is the method of election by the elected members by the method of proportional representation or the single transferable vote, a method which has been in existence for years past in various Governments or local bodies. It is a method which also ensures to a minority the fullest representation it is entitled to. In any case the present irresponsible executive must go immediately. It has already done much harm on account of its lack of public support and its constitutional irresponsibility. It will do more harm if it is allowed to continue in office with the knowledge that it will have to go soon and yet escape responsibility for its blunders.

With regard to the procedure in enlisting full support from Congress Gandhiji has rightly referred the Viceroy to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President. As a matter of fact the Viceroy has already invited the President to Delhi and the latter is expected to arrive there tomorrow. Mr. Jinnah, too, has already been consulted and has offered every support as "the Muslim League believed that every effort should be made so that not a single life was endangered for lack of food". He has asked the Viceroy "in what concrete and definite manner the assistance of the Muslim League is wanted." Mr. Jinnah's anxiety to save life by all possible means encourages the hope that mere party considerations will not stand in the way of strong popular cabinet being formed at once. It should be remembered that much has to be done in this connection by Provincial Governments and also by the public. That means that the Congress, the League and other bodies have to take the initiative in organising offical or private relief work or both. If so, these bodies may well make a move forthwith, preferably in co-operation with one another. They will have enough work to do, whatever may be the personnel of the Provincial Cabinets or their food policy. Co-operation in organising private relief is in some respects easier and will be helpful in co-ordinating official and private relief work. Already a large number of khadi centres, conducted by Congressmen, are giving much needed relief to thousands of Muslims, carders, Spinners or weavers and this work can be indefinitely extended with the co-operation of League workers. Such co-operation will not fail to have wholesome influence in other spheres of activity. At last a common calamity should impress upon us all our common interests and common responsibilities, particularly in forming a National Government at the Centre.

Unfair Reservation

In reply to a question by Mr. Manu Subedar regarding the recruitment of Europeans to the I. C. S. and the Indian Police the Home Member stated in the Assembly that, in spite of the resolution of the House condemning the continued reservation of posts for Europeans in those services, the Secretary of State is determined to continue the practice. The excuse given is that an undertaking was given that recruitment would be carried out on the basis of pre-war ratios as between Indian and British recruits, that a withdrawal of vacancies from Europeans would be regarded as a breach of this undertaking but that the new terms of recruitment provide for constitutional changes. The undertaking, the fairness of which is questionable, may apply to those who had applied at the time of the undertaking. But if now the terms of service after recruitment can be varied to suit constitutional changes, it should be as valid to restrict or stop further recruitment. One cannot but suspect that Government is not determined about early constitutional changes, though the War Secretary has stated in the Assembly: "I assure there will be a transfer of power in the next summer. Whatever may be Britain's plan, India will not fail to achieve her independence in the next few months. We wonder if the European Civilians do not yet realise they are unwanted here on the basis of racial reservation and if they cannot voluntarily retire from such unfair reserved Service. Those who wish to make India their home are welcome to take their chance in the Indian Services along with Indian competitors. But there should no longer be reservation for non-Indian birds of passage. Cannot the British do unto Indians as they would be done by?

Frankly Speaking

Well-deserved Censure

The Government of India was subjected to a well-deserved censure when the Central Assembly passed Mr. Asaf Ali's adjournment motion on the subject of Indonesia. It was a pleasing feature of the debate that Muslim Leaguers joined Congressmen in unequivocally condemning the Government for its failure to respond to Indian feeling expressed categorically and in complete unanimity. Mr. Weightman and Sir Edward Benthal sought to evade the real issue by trying to take refuge behind legalistic excuses regarding the Security Council and its procedure. The question was whether or not the Government failed to instruct its Delegates to convey to the Security Council "the strong views of the elected members of the Assembly on the subject of Anglo-Dutch operations against the Nationalist forces of Indonesia." India's wholehearted and unreserved sympathy for the Indonesian Nationalists is an undoubted fact. If Ukrainians can feel concerned over the possible effect of Anglo-Dutch operations on the freedom movement and Nationalist regime in Indonesia, India, too can and more deeply. India's interest in the future of Indonesia is close and intimate and even vital. This even Sir Edward Benthall and Mr. Weightman ought to know. And it is for this reason that they should have instructed their Delegate. And it is this reason which not only justified, but also rendered obligatory on the part of the Delegate, a representation on behalf of India to the members of the Security Council. The Government of India failed and was justly censured.

Pan-Asiatic Union

Indian leaders like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Babu Sarat Chandra Bose have long advocated an Asiatic Federation. The suggestion of Doctor Mostafa Mesbahzadeh, a Teheran Professor, for a 'Pan-Asiatic Union', which he has made at New York, will receive a favourable welcome in India. For it does not differ from the Federation contemplated by Indian leaders. The reasons are also the same, namely, to defend the independence and sovereignty of all Asiatic countries which already possess independence and to help others which are endeavouring to obtain complete independence. Professor Mesbahzadeh is right in anticipating the displeasure of "certain Big Powers." Not only they but other Imperialist Powers of Europe, too, would react against Asiatic unity, because it is at the expense of Asia that they achieve prosperity and greatness. But that exactly is one of the main and urgent reasons for Asiatic countries to come together in a united front.

Calcutta Tragedy

Calcutta is in throes of disturbances like those it had experienced some weeks earlier or those Bombay experienced on the Subhas Bose Day and after. An impartial inquiry alone can reveal clearly how the whole trouble started though it is clear that the action taken by the police on the first day was unjustified. The present situation is that goondaism and hooliganism have got loose and are rampant. To what extent this is so is shown by statements by Congress and Muslim League leaders. Those who have had to endure such disturbances know that almost invariably they are the consequence of original executive and police bungling. That is why an impartial inquiry is called for into the Calcutta disturbances.

Hindu-Muslim Unity

Meanwhile, the protest against the conviction of Captain Rashid, which is what has led to the present situation, has produced one gratifying feature. It has brought Hindus and Muslims, Congressmen, Muslim Leaguers, Nationalist Muslims and Communists all together. Calcutta, while witnessing shootings, lathi charges, tear-gassing, stone-throwing and incendiarism has also witnessed the welcome spectacle of Hindu-Muslim unity. It has got to work, too, and not armoured cars and armed police but this unity can and will, if no serious obstacles are placed in its way, restore peace and quiet in Calcutta. It will also have liberated a tremendous amount of communal and political goodwill which, if utilised rather than thrown away, can be of immense value in the future. We wish Calcutta citizens success in their joint undertaking, for it will constitute a welcome precedent and an important lesson.

India's Spirit

The jugglery of the British democracy has been shown by the authorities in action. Captain Abdul Rashid who belonged to the Indian National Army has not been released by the undemocratic Government who boast and brag that their people are democratic. The firing that has been done in Bengal as well as in Bombay shows the way of ruling this vast subcontinent. The action is being deplored everywhere. Though many of the leaders have said that it should be calm, quiet and non-violent, the spirit of India is getting higher and higher in the sense that they do not desire the third party. May I ask of the British authorities don't they love their own independence. They are just "Dog in the Manger." I stand for my people and for my country and the more such action they take, the more it will result at a very early stage in "Quit India." Beware of the illiterate as the English people state and I must talk very frankly that no Englishman knows the policy and the differences in this country. This time the Congress and the Muslim League have joined, and one never knows when these two parties may get together, then God may help England.

Indians should always be Indians whatever their views may be, but we don't want the third party to interfere in our affairs.

Feb. 13. CURRIMBHOY EBRAHIM.

Jinnah's Threat To Britain

Concede Pakistan Or Face Muslim Revolt All Over India!

NEW YORK, Feb. 13, (Reuter): Under the heading "Jinnah Threatens Civil War" the "New York Times" publishes on its front-page today a colum-long cable from its own correspondent in New Delhi about an interview he had obtained from Mr. M. A Jinnah.

The correspondent said that Mr. Jinnah told him that Muslims are willing to fight, if the British fail to provide for Pakistan in the six northern provinces of India. The cable said: Mr. Jinnah declared that if the British carry out their intention of calling a single Constitution-Making Body, the only result would be a Muslim revolt througout India.

The story added: "Mr. Jinnah said, it is up to the British to make the "right move ; if they do not, God help us". Mr. Jinnah left no doubt that he is first and last a Muslim to the exclusion of any other consideration. He denounced the Viceroy's proposals to establish a popular Government in the interim period before a Constitution-Making Body could be convened. He also refused to accept a single Constitution-Making Body on the ground that it assured emergence of a unified India.

Mr. Jinnah told me: "Therefore the only course open is for the British to concede Pakistan and make an unequivocal declaration to that effect. Then we can proceed to the adjustment of boundaries between Pakistan and "Hindustan". After that Mr. Jinnah added the two Indian nations can make their own treaties."

The correspondent then asked Mr. Jinnah about reports concerning Muslim sympathy with the Arabs and Mr. Jinnah replied: "The Indian Muslim will do everything in his power to help the Arab: he will go to any length, because we do not want Palestine to go out of Muslim hands. When asked to define "any length" Mr. Jinnah said: "It means whatever we can do; violence, if necessary."

SUSPEND FURTHER EXPORT

Manu Subedar On Food Problem In Assembly

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 11

Replying to Mr. Manu Subedar in the Central Legislative Assembly, the Commerce Member said that the production of groundnut in India had considerably increased in recent years; the only substantial export had been on behalf of the Food Ministry of the United Kingdom to the extent of 31,000 tons. Mr. Manu Subedar wanted the Government to suspend further exoprt from the country, while the question of India receiving more food from the Food Board was in the balance. Sir Azizul Haque said that the Government had been fully cognisant of the matter and steps have been taken.

A comprehensive question dealing with cattle by Mr. Manu Subedar was answered by the Secretary to the Department of Agriculture. The figures of the Cattle Census of 1945 were not yet available. The cattle slaughtered for the Military averaged two lakhs during the last four years but the Government have no figure about the number slaughtered for the civil population. Export of cattle was not permited without special permission except to Ceylon, but the lacuna in export figures through the non-inclusion of cattle taken in convoy ships leaving Indian harbours, pointed out by Mr. Manu Subedar, was not challenged. Government of India had prohibited the slaughter of cattle below three years of age and the male cattle between three and ten years and all milking cows. The Military authorities were trying to reduce the slaughter by the development of pig and poultry farms and the issue of tinned and frozen meat, but in reply to Sir Muhammad Yamin Khan, it was disclosed that the process of dehydration of meat generally used for export purposes still continued in India.

THE ASSEMBLY LAST WEEK

BY "A STRANGER IN THE HOUSE"

The ability to keep political passions and prejudices out of social relationships has been claimed as one of the significant features of democratic life in Britain and the United States. Certainly the intrusion of party antagonisms into such things as tea parties does not help the building up of friendly relations between members of different parties. This was well illustrated by what happened on Monday and Tuesday last week. On the first day of the week, the Indian branch of the Empire Parliamentary Association had organised a function to give the British Parliamentary Delegation an opportunity to meet members of the Central Legislature. Though Mr. G. V Mavlankar, the President of the Assembly, was a joint host along with Sir Maneckji Dadibhoy, the President of the Council of State, all members of the Congress Party of the House were conspicuous by their absence. It is believed that this boycott was aimed not so much at the Parliamentary Delegation, with whom, indeed, Congress leaders have already had discussions, as at the Empire Parliamentary Association, in which members of the Congress Party have not so far participated. On Tuesday the roles were reversed when the Muslim League members abstained from attending a tea party given by Sir Vijay of Vizianagram in honour of the newly elected President of the Assembly. In this instance, the reason for absence was alleged to be the attitude shown by the President towards a Muslim League member on the previous day.

Reading Of Speeches

Apart altogether from its unfortunate effects on maintenance of pleasant social relations, the expulsion of Mr. Abdur Rehman Siddiqui on Monday was of interest in that it raised the question of whether speeches could be read out from a typescript. It would appear that the previous practice in the House had been to allow speeches to be read. When therefore, Babu Sarat Chandra Bose and Mr. Morris from Madras read out their speeches in the course of the Food Debate, the new President did not intervene. On Monday Mr. Ahmed Jaffer from Poona tried to emulate their example in the course of a discussion on the distribution of yarn between the handlooms and mills. The President, while making it clear that he would not altogether prevent the reading of speeches, indicated that he was inclined to discourage the practice with a view to keeping debates real and constructive.

Mr. Abdur Rehman Siddiqui thought this was a sufficient basis on which to found a charge of partiality against the President, and on his failure to withdraw this unparliamentary allegation, he was asked to leave the House for the day. Not very much harm was done by the incident since Mr. Siddiqui was back in his place the next morning, but the question raised by the President is deserving of serious consideration. The reading out of a long manuscript to a weary house, which is not interested in literary or economic essays having no relation to what has ben said on the floor since the Honourable Member's speech was typed on the previous day, is certainly a practice which needs to be frowned on if not altogether prohibited. Except in the case of serious ministerial statements, it is not allowed in the British Parliament, and one hopes that the new President of the Assembly will, if necessary, tighten up the rules to prevent the reading out of speeches except on such rare occasions as the presenting of the Budget or similar announcements of important policies where precision of language is of importance. Certainly, Honourable Members who cannot speak in the course of a debate in the light of what has been said by previous speakers earlier in the day can have little to contribute to the deliberations of the House.

Adjournment Motions

Another aspect of the Assembly's deliberations where more active intervention on the part of the President would be of value is in regard to the admissibility of adjournment motions. Ever since the session started, the Assembly has been hard put to it to dispose of the big pile of motions which had accumulated even before the 21st of January. Most of these motions were clearly inadmissable, either because of their vagueness or lack of urgency or lack of jurisdiction on the part of the Central Government and Legislature. Among such motions which were ruled out by the Chair was one seeking to censure the Government on the firing and violence on processionists in Bombay on Babu Subhas Chandra Bose's birthday which resulted in a substantial loss of life and widespread injuries. Attempts by Congress members to bring this before the House failed because it was held not to be a matter which was primarily the responsibility of the Governor-General in Council. Since, admissibility can only be decided on the floor of the House, we have had the spectacle of endless wrangling and quibbling every morning over one or other of these motions until at last one really admissable motion was reached. On more than one occasion, these interminable arguments have gone on right from 11 o'clock to well past noon! While in the case of some motions a certain amount of preliminary discussion resulting in statements of the members of Government concerned may have cleared the air, in other cases the long discussions preliminary to the ruling out of such motions have been a waste of time.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Fight Scarcity Through Village Grain Banks

Aruna Asaf Ali Suggests Way Out Of Food Scarcity In India

WARDHAGANJ, Feb. 13, (U.P.I.): The "quit India" demand becomes a live issue again. Threat of mass deaths due to food shortage is the result of the callous indifference of the ruling power. Scarcity on a vast scale looms ahead", said Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali addressing a mmmoth gathering here last evening.

She added: "Let us not await death. Let us tell every peasant to resist every effort to coerce him into parting with his grain and to organise village grain banks and to create the requisite authority for challenging the right of the Wavell Administration to starve India. The Congress can be, if it wants to set itself up, as a parelel authority in country. By co-operation with the British rule in snch momentals of national crisis, we merely strengthen its hold. Remeber the slogan of 1942—fight for food is the fight for freedom. Not a grain to feed the rulers, not a pie for British goods."

Mrs. Asaf Ali added:—

"Present is the most opportune time for realising the "Quit India" slogan. The choice before us is death by starvation or slavery under the British Government."

"I would exhort you to die a hero's death while fighting and not be victims of famine that is fast approaching.

Do not be victims of famine but mobilise your strength and fight the battle for freeing Mother India" she said.

Mrs. Asaf Ali Ali conclued saying that the only way of avoiding Ashti and Chimur was to organise themselves for the coming fight to strike a final blow at British Imperialism and for their independence.

ARUNA MEETS AZAD

(U.P.I.): It is understood that when Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali met Maulana Azad in Delhi recently she explained how by keeping control on all daily requirements, the Government was dumping British goods in India and a big quantity of British made cloth has already flooded the Bombay markets and a very big quantity of such goods is lying in the Customs.

It is further understood that Maulana Azad told Mrs. Asaf Ali that boycott of foreign cloth was an item of the Congress programme and that the Congress would certainly see that foreign goods, especially cloth, should not be dumped in India. He asked her to give him all statistics of import and the present production capacity of Indian mills on receipt of which Maulana Azad is likely to issue a statement on the subject.

CONSERVE FOOD

"If you do not know how to serve your own people, then how can you serve animals, and especially cows," said Mahatma Gandhi this afternoon addressing the Gosewasangha Conference, Dr. Rajendra Prasad presiding.

Mahatma Gandhi referred to his morning talks with Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali when she told Mahatma Gandhi that it was true that people served cows and other animals, but there were many other animals in India, namely 40 crores of Indians whom they should not forget.

Gandhiji expressed anxiety over the food situation in the country and said that from his tours in Bengal, Assam and Madras, he had noticed one thing that the people were very much perplexed and were afraid of all that was happening. Their only anxiety was what would happen to the country.

Gandhiji asked the people to grow their own food in whatever land they possessed and not to waste even a grain of food. He believed that if every man and woman in the country strictly followed this, then they would be able to become fearless and ease the food situation.

Earlier Gandhiji paid tributes to the late Seth Jamnalal Bajaj.

GOVERNMENT INDICTED

CUTTACK, Feb. 13 (UPI): Mr. Harekrishna Mahatab, member of the Congress Working Committee, addressing a huge gathering at a village few miles from Cuttack, yesterday made a strong indictment of the Government's food policy emphasised that the responsibility for the last famine should be laid at the door of the Government. He declared: "The last famine was not due to drought or any natural calamity. It was purely a case of inefficiency on the part of the British authority, whose sole attention was directed to the prosecution of the Imperialist War. All problems, which call for our immediate attention cannot be solved without independence. It was with this in view only, the August 1942 movement was started."

BRITAIN AND INDIA'S FOOD PROBLEM

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter):—The food problem in India is believed to have been discussed at to-day's meeting of the special Food Sub-Cabinet which the British Government has set up to consider the present world food crisis and which is now meeting daily.

The Secretary for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, was present at the meeting.

The India Food Delegation which is coming to Britain to place its views before the Government prior to presenting its case before the combined Food Board in Washington arrived in London [illegible].

U.S. SYMPATHY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (Reuter):—Great sympathy with India in her present food situation was expressed by Mr. James F. Byrnes, the United States Secretary of State, at a press conference here to-day.

He said this when asked about a letter sent to him by the United States National Committee for India's Freedom on February 6 urging him to press the combined Food Board to increase essential food supplies to a famine threatened nation. The United States Government was doing all in its power to increase food exports, he declared.

He felt great sympathy not only with India but with all countries in the world who were facing similar food shortages.

ARUNA'S TRIBUTE TO JAIPRAKASH

SEVAGRAM, Feb. 13 (UPI): Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali received a telegram to-day from Acharya Narendra Deo requesting her to inaugurate the Jaiprakash Narain Week at Cawnpore on February 17.

Mrs. Asaf Ali has sent the following message to the organisers of the Jaiprakash Week at Cawnpore: "Regret inability owing to Bombay engagements. Jaiprakash, in or out of prison, is an incentive to all freedom fighters."

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali wro leaves for Bombay will be staying there till February 18. She leaves for Poona by the Poona Mail, on February 18 in the morning. She has also received an invitation from Ahmednagar, Satara, Raipur, Bilaspur and some other places in the South to visit these places.

Princes To Discuss Food Situation

BHOPAL, Feb. 13 (API): It is learnt the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes will meet in New Delhi from March 12 to 14. The members of the Committee have been addressed on the subject.

The food situation in India is expected to be the foremost of the main items of discussion. In this connection the general policy of the States as stressed in a circular, which it is understood, His Highness the Chancellor has addressed to all States, is one of constant vigilance and stringent measures at home coupled with close and wholehearted co-operation with the Government of India.

At the coming meeting, it is learnt His Highness the Chancellor will also give the Standing Committee an account of his recent meeting with the British Parliamentary Delegation.

Will Ex-Maharaja Of Rewa Join Congress?

(By SARDAR KHALILULLAH KHAN, Ex. Education Minister Patiala State)

The entire Indian Press is reverberating with the sudden dethronement of the Maharaja of Rewa but the so-called Chamber of Princes Directorate, with Sir Sultan Ahmad at the helm of affairs and his nephew Mr. Ali Jawad as a wizard publicist, did not deem it of any importance to ventilate the views of the Princes on this high-handed action of the Political Department what this Directorate is doing is a closely guarded secret between H. E. the Chancellor and the Political Department. Nearly a lakh a month is being spent on this organisation which functions only within the precincts of the Chamber of Princes Secretariat. The Political Department governed by whitemen believes what it hears. It has only ears no eyes and however a Ruler may be loyal and devoted to the Government if someone brands him anti-Government not even God can save him. Alwar, Nabha, Indore and many others had to pay very dearly for their public spirited zeal. But in the case of Rewa

Not a sound was heard
Not a drum was beaten

and he was dethroned. Neither the Chamber nor the Chancellor uttered a word of protest even for the sake of brotherly consideration. Maharaja Rewa was a far-sighted noble-minded Prince who always tried to serve the people, who never believed in pseudo pomp and show. He had a clear political outlook and an undaunted spirit. Just one letter which he wrote to me sixteen years ago, when the world was rather young would show his political *finnesse*.

APRICOT MUSSOORIE,
Dated 6th Aug. 1930.

"Dear Mohamad Khalilullah,

Your letter of the 28th July has been received just now and I was glad to go through it. Thanks for your congratulations on my attending the Round Table Conference.

I am sorry I could not see you more at Simla as I was always in and out of the hotel, on different works, nevertheless I was impressed by your broad and well-balanced views.

I wish the saner element of India gains its leadership before the country has been plunged into the mire of uncertainty and insecurity by the extremists. The political situation in India is getting more and more delicate everyday. It is true that in the end India is sure to evolve a workable scheme but the greatest danger lies in the fact that stable society of the country may have to meet destruction during this disruptive experiment. The present is an incubatory period for communistic germs, which, unless timely disinfection is carried out, may multiply to the detriment of all and sundry except those who possess little and have nothing to loose.

While it is essential that complete unity should exist amongst the Princes both within the Round Table Conference and outside it, it is also essential that only such proposals should be placed before the public on which complete agreement is forthcoming. Minutes of dissent should be totally avoided and this can only be possible when every point of view receives its due hearing and fondness of self-importance is given the next place, specially in view of the general good of the order as a whole.

While practice is 1; theory is the 0; 1 and 0 make figure 10 but zero alone remains a zero.

Therefore too much theory will prove itself to be a chase after a wild goose. It is the practical outlook which will assist a workable solution. Incessant persuance as theorists, may establish an august position but an unenviable one to even those who happen to belong to a lower order. Gigantic limbs if they become unwieldy due to the absence of muscles are neither worth possessing nor have they any practical utility. The Round Table Conference if successful will be an epoch-making event where East and West, autocrats and communists will be sitting together to formulate, if possible, an unanimous scheme. It is an unprecedented gathering of its own kind and nothing can come out of it unless all who attend are prepared to court a compromise in their views.

I presume you are coming out to England with His Highness the Chancellor and hope we shall meet again at some future date.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,
GULAB SINGH,
Maharaja, Rewa.

And such an adroit politician has been turned out in exile. Jawaharlal, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and many other leaders felt mortified at this wanton disregard for the public wishes. His Highness the Maharaja of Gwalior as Member of Standing Committee would do well to ask the Chancellor about the working of the Chamber Directorate. I have singled out Gwalior particularly because he is well-known for his lofty-mindedness and zeal for public good. Will it not be in the fitness of things if the Maharaja of Rewa joined the Congress and become real leader of the Princes and people and showed way to other Princes to join the public body?

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, another Conservative Member of the Delegation described the tour as most interesting and said that they hoped to take the first possible opportunity of expressing their appreciation of the extraordinary amount of kindness they had received on all sides in India.

—London Report.

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The Governor of Bengal, Mr. R. G. Casey, who has our sympathy has announced that he has asked the Army to come to the assistance of the Civil Power so that order may be restored in Calcutta as quickly as possible.

We might have suggested an easier and better alternative, Mr. Casey should have called in our Mr. Butler.

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In his statement Gandhiji says: "I have little doubt that if the mercantile community and the official world became honest, we, such a vast country, can tide over the difficulties...."

We, too, have little doubt. But—that "if"....

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Gandhiji personally feels that the present irresponsible Executive should be removed.

Even accepting the view that it should be removed, we beg to suggest that it is not quite correct to describe it as "irresponsible." It is at least responsible to the Muslim League Party.

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Mr. M. A. Jinnah, too, had some discussions and directly with the Viceroy on the food crisis.

But we are awaiting Mr. Jinnah's suggestions as he is awaiting the Viceroy's suggestions.

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Flatly contradicting the Sind Governor's communique, Mr. Narainda Bechar, the Labour M.L.A., asserts that he had pledged his support to the Coalition Party at the time Sir Ghulam was called upon to form the Ministry in Sind.

He may have done so. But we are sure that both Sir Francis Mudie and Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah had, each of them on the authority of the other, very solid reasons to know that Mr. Bechar was entirely "unatttached."

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Sir Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah—yes, Francis Mudie's Sind Premier—seeks to ridicule Professor Ghanshyam Jethanand, Congress Party leader of 21 members because the latter "submits to" Mr. G. M. Syed and even accepts him, Syed, as his leader.

We get the idea at the back of Sir Ghulam's mind. He is right. Syed is not entitled to be put in the same class as Sir Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah who—was it in 37 or 38?—although the leader and rank and file of a Party of One, yet found himself at the Prime Ministerial head of the Ministerial majority.

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Says a Calcutta report: "The Congress and Muslim League flags have been protective banners for people passing through the disturbed areas. Road blocs are often cleared for cars flying these flags and they are helped to pass through amidst shouts of 'Jai Hind'."

What? "Jai Hind"? Qazi Md. Issa must immediately issue a statement.

Soaring Casualties In Calcutta Disturbances

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the southern half of the city, which was one of the worst affected areas yesterday. Casualties in this morning's firing are not yet known.

It is learnt that the incident occurred when a mob formed there this morning to build up again the road barricade which had been put up yesterday to hold up traffic.

Armed pickets patrolling the area dispersed the crowd with firing.

The situation in North Calcutta remains peaceful. Armed police and military are patrolling different localities.

The Civil traffic police have practically withdrawn from the streets all over Calcutta since nightfall yesterday.

Formations of the military began operating in the city at eight last night, following the Governor's announcement that the army had been called into the assistance of the civil power. They patrolled the city along with the armed police all night and this is being continued this morning.

POST OFFICES ABLAZE

A post office at Manashatola in the dock workers' area of Kidderpore was set on fire in the early hours this morning but the flames were put out soon. The university post office in the Coolootola area, in North Calcutta, was also set on fire. Here three fire engines fought the flames and brought them under control.

These incidents bring the number of post offices attacked since yesterday, to three. The mob that forced its way into the Kalighat post office yesterday looted and burnt letters, parcels and other postal articles.

The number of troops called out to help the police is not known, but lorry loads of them are on constant patrol in the Chowringee area. The premises of a number of European and Indian business houses were attacked here yesterday and the plate glass shop windows broken.

METRO HOUSE DAMAGED

Metro Cinema, a land-mark of Chowringhee, presents a sorry picture with all its glass broken and similar damage has been done to other buildings in this main shopping centre of Calcutta.

Several European establishments and flats in the Park Street area were also raided by hooliganism. In some cases curtains and furniture were removed and set fire on the road.

Half-a-dozen flats tenanted by Anglo-Indians in Creek Row were attacked by a mob yesterday but Indian residents of the area intervened and persuaded the crowd to disperse.

The District Magistrate of 24-Parganas, Mr. M. M. Stuart, was roughly handled by a crowd yesterday at Alipore, in the Calcutta area. His car was set on fire.

Among other incidents last night was an attack on a police sergeant who was waylaid in Chittaranjan Avenue. He was taken into a narrow lane. Assaulted and stripped of his clothes and his revolver was stolen.

NO TRAMS OR BUSES

The city's trams and buses which suspended service about eleven yesterday morning have not yet resumed. Except for private cars and lorry loads of military and armed police patrolling the city, Central Calcutta is without traffic. Few taxis are seen on the streets but rickshaws are plying.

There is new alertness among the police patrols today. They are equipped either with lathis or with rifles and each lorry load is under the command of an Anglo-Indian or Indian officer.

A couple of police have their rifles ready and some of the lorries have been equipped with weir-sounding horns not very different in sound from the wail of the air raid alert.

AMERICANS KEEP ALOOF

The Commander of the United States base section headquarters, Brigadier-General Walter K. Wilson, in an announcement, says that the policy of American troops will be to vehicles and personnel are being withdrawn from the streets including military police cars.

36 ADMITTED IN HOSPITAL

The military opened fire for the first time since they were called in last night when they dispersed a mob in the Wellington Square area this morning. About half a dozen rounds were fired.

Reports are current of firing in a couple of other localities but these lack confirmation.

Between 6 this morning and 1 in the afternoon 36 injured have been admitted to the Medical College Hospital. The majority of these have sustained either gunshot injuries or are tear gas cases.

Tear gas was used this morning to disperse a crowd in front of the Kalighat tram depot, which was the scene of a disastrous fire last night.

At about 11 a. m. armed police and military opened fire on a rowdy mob in front of Girish Park on Chittaranjan Avenue as a result of which 11 persons were injured and removed to Medical College Hospital where earlier 25 cases of injuries had been admitted following the incident at Wellington Square.

The police also opened fire at the crossing of Greay Street and Upper Circular Road but the number of casualties is not yet known.

ANOTHER POST OFFICE SET ON FIRE

There was some trouble in the Kidderpore area, in the southern suburbs, shortly after midnight. The Post Office at Manashatola in the locality was set on fire by a batch of people who dispersed before the police arrived on the spot.

UNDER MILITARY GUARD

The Kalighat Post Office, tram depot and the Jogu Babu Bazar area in South Calcutta are under Military Guard. Stationary military pickets have been posted in the area and moving parties are also patrolling.

In North Calcutta there is little traffic on the main roads which are frequently patrolled by the Military and armed police lorries. There are, however, knots of people in lanes and small streets who come out as soon as patrols have passed, to run back to safety at the approach of other contingents of Military or Police.

Shops in vast areas are closed but many markets are functioning.

Post offices in a number of areas are closed today following the attack on three of them last night. Those which are functioning are under strong guard.

PEACE VANS' VIGIL

While tension continues in different parts of North and South Calcutta, peace vans to restore quiet and order in the city are patrolling these areas.

These vans, carry peace squads formed of Congressmen, Muslim Leaguers and Communists, who are shouting peace slogans and addressing the mobs, at times inducing them to disperse.

Postal notification refers to yesterday's burning of two post offices in the city and says it may take some time to restore the services.

CASUALTIES UPTO 6 P.M.

Since midnight, four persons have been killed and about 60 injured in Military and police firing and tear gas discharges in Calcutta.

These are the latest casualty figures available at 6 this evening.

They raise the total toll of the disturbances during the last three days to 19 killed and about 230 injured.

HIDE AND SEEK

Firing occurred at half-a-dozen places. In addition to those mentioned earlier, there was an incident at Manicktolla. Mobs engaged in cutting tramway overhead wires here played a game of hide and seek with Military patrols, melting away when the patrols approached them and reforming when the army vans left the place. Brickbats were also thrown at the military. This continued for some time, and then the military used tear gas without effect. Firing was next resorted to, resulting in some casualties.

The other incident was at Shambazar Crossing in North Calcutta. Details of this are not yet available.

"HELLO-GIRLS" MANHANDLED

The working of the Calcutta telephone system has been seriously affected today by the disturbances.

Only about 50 of the force of 500 girl operators, mostly Anglo-Indian, turned up for work today. The rest had not been able to come owing to the disturbed state of the city. It was stated that some some had been held up by mobs and roughly handled.

MILL WORKERS BURN 3 RAKES

Four persons were killed and 14 others injured when the police opened fire on a crowd of mill workers at Kankinara (24-Parganas) about 22 miles from Calcutta this afternoon.

Several hundred mill workers who had abstained from attending their mills today as a protest against the police firing in Calcutta, proceeded in a body to the Kankinara Railway Station and held up the 99 Up Santipur local train by standing on the Railway track at about 11 this morning.

About 2-30 p.m. an attempt was made to start the train with the help of the police, but the crowd again blocked the passage. The police then opened fire as a result of which four persons were killed and 14 others injured. The injured have been removed to hospital.

After the firing, the demonstrators raided the Railway Station and burnt down the rakes of three trains. There were several carriages in each rake. The Station building was also burnt down. All the three trains were held up on the track. The passengers got off the carriages and then the men set fire to the rakes. One of them was an E.I.R. train. The other two were the 99 Up and the 73 Up.

Due to these disturbances, no down train on the main line has been able to reach Sealdah after midday, and all the Up trains are being diverted 'via' Naihati.

LARGE SCALE USE OF TEAR GAS

There have been more reports of firing from South Calcutta this evening, but only one casualty has occurred. The injured person has been admitted to hospital.

Details of these incidents are not available. Enquiries show that some of them may have been firing of tear gas bombs to disperse crowds. Tear gas has been considerably used today.

Between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. firing was reported to have occurred thrice in the Jogu Babu Bazar area, the centre of much trouble in South Calcutta. One person was injured and removed to hospital.

In another incident reported from Hazara Park, in the same area, there were no casualties.

CHURCH SET ON FIRE

The Thoburn Methodist Church in Dharmatolla Street, one of the busiest areas of Calcutta, was set on fire this evening by a mob.

The fire brigade, which arrived with three engines to fight the flames, was attacked by the mob with brickbats. The brigade went back to the fire station and returned to the scene of fire with necessary military and police support.

The fire was then extinguished in about an hour. The altar, the wooden staircase and some religious books were damaged.

TWO MILITARY TYPE VEHICLES SET ON FIRE

Two military type vehicles were set on fire in South Calcutta this evening. This was in the Jagu Babu Bazar area. The fire brigade proceeded to the scene and extinguished the flames.

Fewer cases of military type vehicles being set on fire have been reported today. From Esplanade to Jagu Babu Bazar no other cases than the two reported above were noticed when an 'Associated Press' representative visited the area tonight.

U.S. ARMY PERSONNEL LEAVING CALCUTTA

It is learnt that upto 5 p.m. yesterday 13 enlisted men and five officers of U.S. Army personnel received injuries in the Calcutta disturbances. Almost all injuries were of minor nature.

About 1,000 men of the U.S. Army, all from out stations were in Calcutta spending their leave when the disturbances started. These men were immediately ordered to their barracks, and this morning they were escorted to their respective stations in a convoy. There are still a few men here and they will be sent away shortly.

Owing to the disturbed state of the city, the Calcutta University examinations that were to commence tomorrow have been postponed for the Calcutta and Bhowanipore centres.

The meeting of the Calcutta Corporation announced for today was not held for want of a quorum.

USE OF TROOPS ISSUE IN COMMONS

LONDON, Feb. 13, (Reuter): The question of the use of British troops in Calcutta's disturbances is to be raised in the Commons by members of Parliament, who are also members of the India League, stated Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the League today.

Mr. Menon added: "At the moment we do not propose to hold a public protest meeting but it may be necessary at a later date."

Azad Says:—Don't Avenge It On Civilian Nepalis

CALCUTTA, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.)—Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, has issued the following statement:

I am grieved to learn that some people are harbouring feelings of ill-will against the civilian Nepalis who reside in various parts of the city. They think that the actions of the Gurkha military should be avenged on all the Nepalese. If it is true, it is very regrettable.

I would appeal to all the citizens not to give way to such evil feelings and they should try to bring it home to others also.

The Gurkhas employed in the Army have no grudge against Indians. When they carry out orders of their officers, they do so because they have been trained to follow the Military discipline as a soldier, and they have no capacity to understand anything further. It would be criminal to hold all the Nepalis responsible for it and to avenge on them."

TELEGRAPH TRAFFIC SUBJECT TO DELAY

"Telegraph traffic to and from Calcutta is subject to abnormal delay," says a Telegraph Notification.

EUROPEANS' CAR SET ON FIRE

In addition to two military type vehicles that were set on fire, a Port Commissioner's lorry was also damaged.

Two Europeans, including one woman who were motoring in the Watgunge area, were held up by a mob and made to alight. The car was then set on fire, but the military police were soon on the spot and extinguished the flames before much damage could be done.

DISLOCATION OF TRAIN SERVICES

There was considerable dislocation of train services on the East Indian Railway, as crowds were collecting since this morning at various points on the main line between Serampore and Lilooah stations over a stretch of 10 miles adjoining Calcutta.

Till evening, only six down trains could reach Howrah station by E.I.R., all of them arriving much behind time. Only one of these came by the main line, the rest had to be diverted along other routes.

The situation has not improved much till late at night, and the authorities of the East Indian Railway are unable to give any indication at the moment as to when the normal running of trains will be restored.

UNDER CONGRESS OR LEAGUE COLOURS

While no serious incident has been reported from the disturbed areas on the E. I. Railway, the obstruction to trains continued all through the day. Whenever trains arrived, crowds shouting slogans assembled on the track blocking their passage. Some trains, it is reported, were allowed to pass only after flying Congress or Muslim League flags on their engines.

Attack On Railway Station

The afternoon disturbance at the Kankinara Railway Station spread to adjoining areas till towards Sun-Down there was another expression of mob fury at Naihati, an important junction station on the Bengal Assam Railway 28 miles from Calcutta.

Here a big crowd of mill hands raided the station yard and are stated to have done some damage to the carriages of a train then in station. There were no casualties.

The six-mile stretch of railway line between Kankinara and Naihati stations, with the mill areas on either side is under military patrol.

Delhi 'Delayed Action' Tactics Condemned

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ly saw at the Kotwali nine people who had been put in handcuffs and chains.

The police in this country, said Mr. Nauman, had been trained in such a way that they could make no distinction between a respectable person and an unruly person. Among those who had been arrested were the Secretary of the Provincial League of Delhi and the President of the General Merchants' Association. The way the persons arrested had been humiliated was something which was most disgraceful for the Government.

'POLICE PROVOKE DISORDER'

Mr. Asaf Ali, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party, said: 'It is my definite conviction that the police in this country, so far from being concerned with maintaining Law and Order in the interests of the citizens, generally provoked disorder. This is happening not only in Delhi but all over the country. I am perfectly certain that if this House were not in session, there might have been Lathi charges and even worse things.'

Mr. Asaf Ali said that the very use of the Defence of India Rules to arrest the persons was wrong because the war was over. The police should have followed the alternative method of serving summons on them asking them to appear before a Magistrate on a specified day. The matter should have been left at that.

ROTTEN TO THE CORE

Mr. Asaf Ali said that he knew the persons who arrests had been reported in the Press and he could say definitely that none of them could possibly have acted in a manner which would have merited the kind of treatment meted out of them.

The action taken by the police, instead of maintaining order, might lead to further demonstrations, Lathi charges or shootings. 'The whole system', said Mr. Asaf Ali, 'is rotten to the core and until it is revised, must be condemned outright (cheers).

"DESIGN IN DELAYED ACTION"

Mr. N. V. Gadgil (Congress) asked why the police took no action on February 11 when the procession was taken out but arrested them the following day? 'I submit it was a deliberate attempt', Mr. Gadgil said, 'to create such an atmosphere which will ultimately lead to more provocation and firing.' Mr. Gadgil also asked why the men arrested were handcuffed and paraded through the streets? It was admitted that nothing happened on February 11 when the demonstration took place. Where was the wisdom in arresting them the next day? He thought there was a design in the arrests.

Sir Hassan Suhrawardy (League) said that Indians were law-abiding people but Government were provoking them to lawlessness. In Bombay, Calcutta and other places there were troubles.

Defence of India Rules he said, are brought against not the enemies of India but against Indians themselves.

Handcuffing people and taking them through the streets and humiliating them would provoke people and lead to shooting. It is not going to help maintain Law and Order."

Mr. Nagendranath Mukhopadhyaya (Congress) thought that there was a "plan" behind the policy. There were disturbances in some cities.

Government, he said, had not found it possible "to repress non-violent soldiers." Hence, by holding the I.N.A. trials and other acts, they were trying "to bring the whole nation to violence which, the Government knows how to deal with."

HOME MEMBER'S REPLY

The Home Member said he would confine himself to mere rule and fact. He believed that apart from the chain which connected the cuffs, no other chains were used and the reference in the motion to chains was a picturesque addition. He had no reason to believe there was any intention to humiliate the arrested men or to parade them through the city. They were arrested from within the limits of eight police stations in the city and most of them, not all, were brought to the Kotwali in Chandni Chowk for investigation.

The Home Member argued that under the rule if the arrested person fell within one or more categories mentioned, the police officer was required —the provision was mandatory—to use handcuffs. It might be said that was a bad rule. That was another matter. If one wanted to change the rule, the method was not to bring an adjournment motion to censure the officers who obeyed the rule.

SCENE AT KOTWALI

As regards the circumstances, the Home Member said, his information was that the persons arrested were disorderly or were acting in a manner calculated to provoke a popular demonstration and the police officer had a good reason to suppose that the excited crowds might attempt to rescue the arrested men. The Home Member read extracts from a newspaper report describing the excitement among the crowd in the Kotwali and said that he could not for a moment agree with any condemnation of the police officers, who were responsible for the arrests.

Without making any imputation against the arrested persons, the Home Member said general experience was that when there was a row, it was by no means left to respectable people to carry on the row. Other types joined in, and a number of the people arrested were not respectable but persons with a thoroughly bad record. He would not have mentioned this but for the suggestion that all the arrested persons were respectable.

The Home Member went on to say that he was depressed by some of the suggestions made during the debate that the police or their masters were deliberately inciting or provoking people in order to have a row. I cannot think of a more unworthy imputation against officers who have to maintain public order, and I may say I cannot think of an imputation more likely to inflame the minds of the people than the suggestion that on the side of the authorities there is a desire for a row.

The police, the Home Member proceeded, had shown great restraint, had waited till the procession was over and then in the performance of their duty arrested persons who were ring-leaders. He paid a tribute to some of the Muslim leaders of Delhi who had used their influence to prevent the law being broken. The circumstances that had arisen, he said, were not the outcome of any deliberate policy of the Provincial League but a sign that some of the persons connected with had outrun the discretion of their leaders.

LIAQAT ALI'S CHARGE

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali, Deputy Leader, Muslim League Party, said the Home Member was wrong in thinking that the demonstrators of Monday were merely due to the mischievous activities of a few individuals.

The trouble with this Government was that it never appreciated or understood the real feelings of the people in this country.

Monday's demonstration was an expression of dissatisfaction and resentment against the sentence on Capt. Rashid. The demonstrators showed great restrain and did not do anything untoward on February 11 although feeling ran high and strong over the Government's present policy with regard to the I.N.A.

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali explained that the demonstrators' programme did not include a procession. The procession was really a spontaneous action on the part of people, and the fact that the police did not consider it necessary at any stage to stop these people from marching in formation showed that the procession was peaceful.

It was regrettable that Government in their anxiety to make a show of their authority should have taken action the next day.

WARNING TO GOVT.

The police could have issued summons against the men or if a warrant had to be issued, a bailable warrant would have been sufficient. But the police took action to frighten the people into the submission. Government should realise that the people had passed the stage when they could be frightened in that fashion. On the other hand, such action as had been taken by the Delhi Police was likely to arouse public feeling more than help to allay it.

POSER TO HOME MEMBER

As for the Home Member's suggestion that not all of the men arrested were respectable, Nawabzada Liaqat Ali wished that the Home Member had stated whether any one of the 37 was brought to the Kotwali without handcuffs.

The Home Member: A few were.

Mr. Sri Prakasa: There were not sufficient handcuffs (laughter).

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali proceeded to say that by their action Government had focussed attention on the incident and if anything untowards happened, he would hold the Government responsible. Because it would be due to its unwise action.

Khan Bahadur Ghazanfarulla supported the motion which was passed without a division.

The House adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjournments On W. A. C. (I.) Ruled Out

The Chair ruled out two other adjournment motions, one by Mr. Frank Anthony to censure Government for their decision to disband the W. A. C. I. Another motion on the same subject was tabled by Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar to discuss alleged racial discrimination in the W.A.C.I.

FRONTIER CLOTH ISSUE

Cloth shortage in the North-West Frontier Province was mentioned in the Assembly on an adjournment motion for which Khan Abdul Ghani Khan (Congress) sought leave.

The Chair ruled out the motion.

Cat Among M.L.As

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13.—A cat created excitement in the Central Assembly this morning. It was a brown, fat cat which rushed in the Chamber and lost its way. It kept running in and out of official benches for about five minutes. Meanwhile Sri Prakasha enquired whether a cat can enter the Chamber. (Laughter). The Leader of the House replied amidst renewed laughter that it was not an official cat.

"THIS MAKES NO ADVANCE"

Soekarno's First Reaction To Dutch Proposals

BATAVIA, Feb. 13 (Reuter): Dr. Soekarno's first reaction to the Dutch proposals on Indonesia was the remark: 'This makes no advance' according to a report reaching here from Jogjakarta, writes Noel Buckley, Reuter's special correspondent.

BR. ENVOY'S EFFORTS

The British Envoy, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, who is continuing his efforts to promote a Dutch-Indonesian settlement, visited the Indonesian Premier, Dr. Sutan Sjahrir again today.

PRIME MINISTER MEETS VAN MOOK

The meeting of Dr. Sutan Sjahrir, the Prime Minister of the Indonesian Republican Government with Dr. Van Mook, Lieut.-Governor General of the Netherlands East Indies, lasted four and quarter hours last night.

As Dr. Sjahrir received couriers from Jogjakarta headquarters of Dr. Soekarno in Central Java earlier in the day.

Bhagwati To Be Judge In Place Of Divatia

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (API): His Majesty the King has appointed the Hon. Mr. Justice Natvarlal Harilal Bhagwati to be a Judge of the High Court in Bombay upon the retirement of the Hon. Sir Harsidhbhai Vajubhai Divatia, says a Press 'communique.'

Ahmedabad Share Market

AHMEDABAD, February 13.

The market opened round about yesterday's closing and moved either way. Business was not so wide and general trend being hesitant for further commitments in mill shares. In differed, though fluctuations were both sided there seemed good resistance at low levels and it ruled steady. Anil Starch was easy on reports of restriction over use of maize in factories.

People are less optimistic for earnings of Arvind and other Kasturbhai group mills and hence there seems professional selling at every rise, the closing tone was quiet.

Closing Quotations: Calico 1389, Arvind 1414, Ambika 468, Marsdon 191, Monogram 161, Differed 2759, Jupiter 363, Anil Starch 370, Rohit 353-12-0, Morris 121.

U. S. Treasury May Sell, Lease Silver

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13, (UPA): The House Appropriation Committee today approved a measure to authorize the Treasury to resume the sale or lease of silver for industrial purposes for a two-year period, in which the Treasury would be permitted to sell silver at 71 per cent per fine ounce.

RAILWAYMEN DEMAND COURT OF ADJUDICATION

Affiliated Unions Asked To Take Ballot For General Strike, If Govt. Won't Respond

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13, (A.P.I.): The General Council of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation today demanded the immediate appointment of a Court of adjudication to arbitrate in the dispute between the Railway Board and the Railwaymen.

The Council directed the affiliated unions to take a ballot for a General Strike if no reply was received from the Government of India to their demand for a court.

The dispute between the Railway Board and the Railwaymen, it will be recalled, arose from the retrenchment of Railwaymen and their demands for a revision of the scales of pay, hours of work, employment regulations and leave rules and the demand for an increase in dearness and compensatory allowances.

FOOD TO THE FORE BEFORE U.N.O.

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A world conference of experts and Food Ministers to mobilise international resources against a food crisis forecast for 1946 to 1947 will be urged before the General Assembly of the United Nations when it meets this afternoon to hear the "Big Five" plans.

A proposal to hold the Conference has reached London in a telegram from Sir John Boyd Orr, Director-General of the Food and Agricultural Organisation set up by the Quebec Conference.

Sir John informs the Assembly that his organisation is prepared to set worldwide effort into motion to meet food shortages and suggests that a Congress be held at the earliest possible moment of representatives of international organisations concerned.

The General Assembly which meets at 5 p.m. (G.M.T.) will focus world attention on the international food crisis.

ALBANIA AND LEVANT

Both political items still before the Council, Albania's request for admission to the U.N.O. and the Levant dispute, are expected to be taken while the Council is still in London.

In the case of the Levant problem there is now a distinct possibility that the matter may be referred for direct negotiations. There have been renewed contacts between French Delegates and the Syrians and Lebanese in an attempt to find common ground and if these succeed, the Security Council may, as in the Persian dispute, suspend judgment while direct talks are in progress.

INTERIM SITE

The Permanent Headquarters Committee tonight unanimously decided that New York should be the interim Headquarters of the United Nations, until a permanent site has been chosen and got ready.

Australian counter proposals favouring San Francisco was rejected by 21 votes against 19 with three abstentions.

DELHI TRAMWAYMEN ON STRIKE

DELHI, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): The tramway workers of the Delhi Electric Supply and Traction Company struck work at 5 p.m. to-day as a token protest against the conviction of Capt Abdul Rashid and the arrest of Muslim League and Communist workers including the President of the Tramway Workers' Union, Mr. Mohammed Yamin Khan.

'Harikatha' Recitals

The series of 'Harikatha' recitals by Mannargudy Vijayaraghava Bhagavatar and party at Khalsa College Hall concluded with 'Rukmani Kalyan' on Tuesday. In concluding the proceedings, Acharya Venkateshwar Dikshatar paid tributes to the versatile schoiarship, classic exposition and the spell-binding musical scores of the Bhagavatar. Mr. A. S. Iyengar thanked him for the benefit performances in aid of Krishna Sabha.

INSIST ON UNIFORM SACRIFICE

People's Provincial Food Council's Plea

BOMBAY, Feb. 13 (A.P.I.): The suggestion that the Government of India should insist on a uniform measure of sacrifice all over the country is made by the People's Provincial Food Council, Bombay, in a statement outlining certain measures to meet the food crisis facing the country.

If such a method is not adopted, there is a danger, the Council says, that while the vocal sections of the people in the cities may not feel the pinch, distress will become aggravated in rural areas among the more backward sections of the population.

As regards Bombay Province, the Council feels that if its recommendations are adopted, the present scale of ration can be maintained. If a reduction becomes unavoidable, certain sections of the community, who can afford, should consume unrationed foods such as milk, fruits, eggs, meat and fish as part of their quota of foodgrains.

Calcutta Bloodshed Beckons Us All To Unity

LAHORE, Feb. 13, (A.P.A.): Commenting on the Calcutta disturbances, Muslim League leader and Member of the Central Legislative Assembly, Maulana Zafar Ali Khan, said today: "The bloodshed of Calcutta has a great lesson of communal unity for all-Hindus and Muslims alike."

"The common demonstration by the Congress and the Muslim League demanding the release of Capt. Abdul Rashid of the Indian National Army has shown the way to that unity," he said.

ROOSEVELT'S LAST MAN QUITS U. S. CABINET

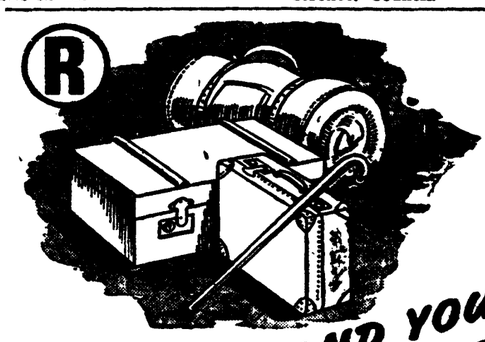
WASHINGTON Feb. 13, (Reuter): The resignation of the United States Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Harold Ickes, was accepted by President Truman today. Mr. Ickes had held the post for 13 years and was the last remaining member of the Cabinet who served throughout President Roosevelt's term of office. He was a leading supporter of the "New Deal" policy of the late President.

His resignation is effective on Friday. No reason for the resignation was given.

SHINGARA SINGH TRIAL

DELHI CANTT, Feb. 13, (A.P.I.): Defence evidence concluded today before the third I.N.A. Court Martial trying Shingara Singh and Jem Fateh Khan.

The Court adjourned till Monday for the closing address by Mr. B. B. Tawakley, Senior Deference, Council.



PERHAPS you are going out for a couple of days. But who knows your stay may be prolonged for over a week. If you leave your ration card behind and it is used during your absence for obtaining any rationed article, it will be an offence. You may forget to give information of your absence for over a week to the Rationing Officer, which also is an offence, unless you hand in your ration card instead.

Why take these risks? Hand in your ration cards at the Rationing Kiosk or at the Rationing Office when you leave and collect them again on your return.

It is much the safer way for you and it helps the authorities to detect malpractices at the Ration shops.

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ARABS OPPOSE IMMIGRATION OF JEWS

Will Work For Abolition Of Palestine Mandate

(From Our Correspondent)

JERUSALEM, Feb. 2: The Arab Higher Committee issued the following manifesto yesterday evening:

"The decision adopted by the British Government on continued Jewish immigration is extremely serious, especially as it came as result of Jewish propaganda, intimidation and terrorism. It is a clear departure of the officially established policy laid down by the British Government itself to which it pledged its word to enforce in solving the Palestine problem. The A.H.C. considers the British Government's present decision to let the gates of Palestine open to Jewish immigration a deathblow which imperialism has directed against the Arab edifice in its own country and a persistence to subject the Arabs to unlimited damage. It is an unjust step implying tyranny and an open attack against freedom and justice and self-determination—principles which the British Government claims to respect and for whose upholding it went to war.

"The British Government's sanction of further Jewish immigration contrary to the will of the Arabs and their opposition is opposed to the aims which the Anglo-American Commission of Inquiry hopes to achieve, and deprives it of success in its mission, besides shaking the confidence of the Arabs in the Government's honest intentions towards them and their country. The Arabs, who have consistently opposed Jewish immigration, to-day reiterate their opposition to all immigration, irrespective of number or the duration of that immigration, and protest against the Government's action and refuse to admit the British Government. They repeat their national demands and their decision to preserve the Arab aspect of the Arab holy land. They will continue to work for the abolition of the Mandate and for the attainment of their independence.

"The A.H.C. appeals to the Arab people to redouble its efforts in warding off this harm and to proceed forward to save Palestine from the dangers threatening it. The threat is serious, the situation grave, and the British Government's decision is a prelude to further dangers. Hate has come forth out of their mouths, but their hearts conceal greater danger (Holy Quran).

"The A.H.C., therefore, decided that a daylong general strike be observed to-morrow, February 2, as an expression of the unanimity of Arab protest, and asks proud Arabs to observe this strike."

APPEAL TO UNITED NATIONS

Earlier, at its meeting, the committee decided to call an extraordinary meeting to discuss whether to appear before the Anglo-American Commission of Inquiry in the light of this new development. No date was fixed as it is expected that by the middle of next week, Jamal eff. Husseini, against whom the order of exclusion from entry into Palestine has been rescinded, might arrive and attend the meeting in his capacity as Chairman of the Palestine Arab Party executive.

Other resolutions included the despatch of telegrams to the President of the United Nations Organisation Assembly appealing to U.N.O. to put a stop to this infringement upon the existence of the Arabs within their homeland and to ensure that the Arabs should exercise the right of self-determination. Simultaneously, a telegram was sent to each head of the Arab States' delegations in London in a similar vein. The text follows:

"Decision Britgovernment continue Jewish immigration inspite Arab refusal etcontrary Arab wshes constitutes breach of faith etviolation British official promises etunjust attack etaggression on interests etrights smaller nations. British decision undermines investigaton etconsequent report Inquire Commission. In name humanity etjustice we appeal to your esteemed organisation to end continued injustices befalling Palestine Arabs in own homeland etsolicit your intervention etsupport in applying to Palestine principles self-determination liberty etindependence.

Arab Higher Committee.

GOVT.'S EXPLANATION

The High Commissioner for Palestine was informed of the A.H.C.'s decision protesting against the Government's sanction of continued Jewish immigration in a letter addressed to him this morning. The Arab League was likewise informed, and urged to make the necessary representations.

To-day's strike passed off quietly, being completely observed.

The official communique of January 30, 1946, reads: "It will be recalled that in the statement of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of November 13, 1945 it was made clear that H. M. Government could not divest itself of its duties and responsibilities under the Mandate while the Mandate continued. H. M. Government, therefore, proposed that they would consult with the Arabs with a view to an arrangement which would ensure that pending the receipt of the 'ad interim' recommendations of the Committee of Enquiry there would be no interruption of Jewish immigration at the present monthly rate. These consultations with the Arabs have been proceeding over a long period and have reached no conclusive result. In these circumstances H. M. Government have now decided for 'cogent reasons' that they must allow immigration to continue provisionally at the proposed rate of 1,500 a month. Preference will be given to those European Jews who have a special claim such as those to whom the Palestine Government have already undertaken obligations, and relatives in Europe of Jews already established in Palestine. Illegal immigration will, of course, continue to be deducted from quotas.'

Jewish Agency To Face Anglo-U. S. Enquiry In March

JERUSALEM, Feb. 12 (Reuuter):—Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, told Reuter tonight that the Jewish Agency will appear before the Anglo-American Committee of inquiry during the Committee's sitting in Jerusalem in March.

They All Are Ready To Admit Jews

LONDON, Feb 12 (A. P. A.): British and American officials to-day said the shipping shortage was a major reason why they could not admit more Jews into United States and British Dominions.

The official statement followed a report by Arab leaders that they would not oppose Jewish immigration into Palestine if the rest of the world admitted them in the same proportion.

Riff Delegates Attending Arab League Committee Meeting

(From Our Correspondent)

CAIRO, Feb. 6.

Three delegates from the Riff (Spanish Morocco) are on their way to Cairo to attend the meetings of the Cultural Sub-Commitee of the Arab League, reports "Al Ahram" to-day. They had been granted special permission to do so, according to an intimation by the Spanish Ambassador in Cairo given to the Arab League Secretariat.

FOUR-POINT PLAN TO WARD OFF FAMINE

Resolution To Be Moved Before Security Council

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter): A four-point plan by the 'Big Five' to ward off famine now threatening many parts of the world will be moved by the British Foreign Secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, this evening a few hours before the long drawn out wrangle on the Indonesian issue comes before the Security Council for the sixth time, cables A. K. Quereshi, Reuter's Special Correspondent.

Mr. Bevin will move the resolution which: Firstly, urges all governments and peoples to take immediate drastic action to secure adequate collection of crops, to avoid waste and to ensure maximum production.

Secondly, notes that several United Nations are already taking measures to reserve grain supply for direct human consumption and increase production.

Thirdly, urges all governments to state their own supplies and requirements of cereals and steps they propose for increasing production.

Fourthly asks international organisations concerned with food agriculture to state fully the world food position and the future outlook, and aid governments in fixing their agricultural policy.

INDONESIAN ISSUE SETTLED

The Indonesian issue is already settled to the extent that it is now abundantly clear that the Ukrainian delegation has no chance whatever of getting the necessary seven votes to support its allegations that British troops are being used against the Indonesian nationalist movement thus creating a situation threatening peace.

In fact, it would not get more than one vote and quite definitely Britain has been exonerated of the charges even though a direct vote has not yet been taken.

NEW PROPOSITION

The Council was indeed within a split second of recording a formal vote yesterday when the Egyptian Delegate, M. Mamdouh Riaz, at the last moment submitted an amendment which amounts to a completely new proposition

This was to the effect that British troops should not be used against the Indonesian nationalist movement should be withdrawn after disarming the Japanese and releasing prisoners of war and internees and that the results of the Dutch negotiations with Indonesian leaders should be reported to the Council.

It is generally thought that this amendment has only a remote chance of acceptance and that Mr. Bevin will tonight insist on the Council giving a clear verdict by vote.

It is still impossible to predict wher. the U.N.O session in London will close, and the site question is proving exceedingly obstinate. A decision on the permanent site has been postponed and the question of a temporary site is now under active dispute. San Francisco and New York both have strong champions and there are no signs of an agreement yet being reached.

W. F. T. U. AND U. N. O.

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuter): After a stormy debate lasting two hours the Political and Security Committee this evening passed the United States Resolution that a World Federation of Trade Unions, International Co-operative Alliance and American Federation of Labour be called into consultation with the Economic and Social Council. The resolution must still receive the approval of the General Assembly.

Annual Scout Rally of Municipal School Girls at Gilder Tank Maidan on Saturday last under presidentship of Dr. Alban De Souza, Mayor of Bombay. Picture shows a view of the rally.

ECHO OF 'MATRIC MASSACRE'

Senate Debates Proposals For Reforms In Examination

The Senate of the Bombay University, meeting on Wednesday, debated for over two hours and a half a resolution moved by Mr. K. T. Shah dealing with diverse matters relating to the matriculation examination.

The resolution has a history dating back to 1937. In that year the results of the matriculation examination recorded an unusually low percentage of passes. Mr. K. T. Shah then moved the Senate into appointing a Committee to go into the question of reconsidering the syllabus and other matters relating to the examination. The Syndicate after considering the Senate Committee's report made its proposals which were placed before the Senate in February 1944. The Senate, however, referred back the proposals as they were considered defective or inadequate in many respects. The Syndicate and the Academic Council went into the whole question once again and framed the present proposals. These proposals are as follows:—

NEW PROPOSALS

(1) That the matriculation examination must be treated as the only examination that can serve as a test of entrance to the University. (2) That the scheme of the present matriculation examination and the syllabuses thereunder should be reconsidered. (3) That the subjects for the matriculation examination should be (i) English (one paper of three hours); (ii) Mathematics (including Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry—two papers of three hours each); (iii) Modern Indian language or additional English (one paper of three hours); (iv) Science: Physics and Chemistry, or General Science (one paper of three hours); (v) (a) Outline of Indian History, and (b) General Geography or outline of Modern English History (one paper of three hours to be equally divided between the two subjects); (vi) A classical language or a modern European Language (one paper of three hours). (4) That for the purpose of passing the examination a candidate must obtain at least 25 per cent of the marks in each subject of the examination and 40 per cent of the aggregate marks of all the subjects. (5) The Boards of Studies in framing the syllabus under the revised scheme should be given definite instructions to lighten the burden of the courses of study in the several subjects.'

"KNOCK-OUT BLOW"

The Senate had before it, however, seven different sets of amendments given notice of by seven persons, running into three pages of print. The Vice-Chancellor, Sir Bomanji Wadia, announced that he would first take up an amendment moved by Dr. V. R. Khanolkar suggesting that the whole question be gone into once again by a Committee of 13 persons, as the amendment amounted to a 'knock-out blow' and if passed, the other amendments would become unnecessary.

Moving his amendment Dr. Khanolkar pointed out that since the question was first mooted the world had witnessed revolutionary changes. Even in the matter of formal education several new schemes such as the Wardha Scheme and the Sargent Scheme had been mooted. The present resolution amounted to a fitful tinkering with the whole subject and he felt that the Syndicate had not given to it the consideration it deserved. He cited statistics to show that out of every six persons declared eligible to enter the portals of the Universities in India, only two passed their Intermediate examination and only one of them took a degree. Most of these ended up as clerks in the Rationing Department or, if they were more fortunate in the Supply Department.

PRESERVE OF THE RICH

Meanwhile the colleges were becoming the rendezvous of the sons of the rich. In England, one out of 837 of its population went to a college; in America one out of 225; in India one out of 2,206. While thus the opportunities of education were limited, it was necessary that steps should be taken to see that only those who would make the best possible use of the opportunity should be sent to the Universities and not those who paid fees and loitered along the long corridors of colleges. If there was to be a change at all, it should be a radical change.

A debate ensued and Col. Sokhey, Mr. M. V. Donde, Prof. Akkad, Prof. A. Soares, Prof. D. C. Pavte, Principal A. J. Taraporewala, Prof. Limaye and Principal Joshi supported the amendment; while Prof. Wadekar, Dr. G. S. Mahajani, Sir Vithal Chandavarkar, Principal Khadye, Prof. Karmarkar, Dr. K. G. Naik, Justice Chagla, Mr. Mangaldas Mehta and Prof. S. V. Shah opposed the amendment.

While those in support of the amendment attacked the proposals from various points of view, those opposing the amendment claimed that it was the most practical and workable compromise between many points of view. It served the dual purpose of keeping a high standard by requiring minimum of knowledge in seven papers and higher proficiency in a few and the need to lighten the syllabus by lowering the marks required for any single subject.

On voting the amendment was lost, 26 voting for and 34 against. A poll confirmed the result 32 voting for and 36 against.

The Senate will resume consideration of the other amendments on the agenda paper to-day (Thursday) after the conclusion of the special convocation.

Thana School-Board Members To Resign

(From Our Correspondent)

DAHANU, Feb. 11

All the members of the Thana School Board have sent their resignations in accordance with a resolution passed by the Board at its last meeting. Thana School Board has a deficit of Rs. 60,000. The Board approached the Government for an additional grant as the Board contended that it had to incur heavy expenditure due to the granting of dearness allowance to its employees and it was the duty of the Government to bear all the expenditure on this account. The Government gave a deaf ear to this demand of the Board. The Board also approached the District Local Board for additional grants; but the Board has an estimated deficit of Rs. one lakh; and hence the School Board cannot expect any help from this source also. As a result of this the members of the Board unanimously decided to hand over the control of this Board to the Government from the 1st of March. Teachers working under this Board, recently met at Palghar and decided to support the resolution passed at the provincial conference held at Karad to strike work from the 1st of April. The elected members of the Thana District School Board appreciate the demand of the teachers and as they find their utter helplessness to do any thing to meet their demands, they have decided to resign

India To Ship Cotton On Pre-War Basis To Japan?

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (U.P.A.): Authoritative quarters disclosed today that a shipment of 340,000 metric tons or over one million bales of cotton to Japan during the next twelve months has been approved but there is still no agreement as to what percentages of this quantity will come from the U. S., India and other cotton producing countries.

The informants said that if the nations concerned are unable to reach a decision on the matter, the final decision will probably come from the Far East Council.

SINO-SOVIET ECONOMIC PACT?

SHANGHAI, Feb. 13 (Reuter): In the first Press Conference ever given in Shanghai, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek this morning disclosed that China was holding conversations with Russia over economic questions and promised an early official announcement on the subject. He also said that China was prepared to furnish details of these talks to the United States.

The Generalissimo who was flanked by Madame Chiang on the right and Mayor Chientachun on the left, emphasised that there had been no secret Chinese-Soviet negotiations of any kind.

Indian Seamen's Union's Move

A warning that the question of general strike will be considered in case the owners of ships reduce the war allowance being paid to Indian seamen is issued by the Committee of the National Seamen's Union of India, Bombay. The Committee in a resolution expresses its strong disapproval of the move of some of the employers to reduce the war allowance. It requests the Commerce Member to compel the liners employing Indian seamen to consolidate the war allowance in the basic wages. In case the liners employing Indian seamen persist, the Committee adds, it would have to consider the desirability of advising a general strike.

In a statement, Mr. A. H. Mirza, President of the Union, points out that the Indian seamen are the lowest paid in the whole world although their work has been considered efficient. The principle of equal wage for equal work adopted by the Copenhagen Conference should be made applicable to Indian seamen as well. It is really disappointing that the wages of Indian seamen are less than those paid even to Chinese, Javanese and Arab seamen.

MRS. SAROJINI NAIDU FELICITATED

The following telegram was sent to Mrs. Sarojini Naidu on behalf of women's organisations of Bombay: 'We heartily join to felicitate you on your Diamond Jubilee Birthday. May God grant you a long life to serve India's cause and raise India's womanhood.' The organisations included the Bhatia Stree Mandal, Bhagini Samaj, Gujerati Hindu Stree Mandal, Bombay Presidency Women's Council, Port Hindu Stree Mandal, Vile Parle Kumarika Stree Mandal, Lad Mahila Mandal, Jain Mahila Samaj, Gohil Wad Mandal, Dossa Shrimadi Bhagini Mandal, Gandhi Seva Sena and Matunga Hindu Stree Mandal.

News In Brief

COLOMBO, Feb. 9 (API): The Rent Restriction Ordinance is to be extended till the end of this year. Prevailing conditions, the notification in this connection points out, render it necessary that the provisions of the Ordinance should continue in force for some further time.

COLOMBO, Feb. 9 (API): Objection has been taken by Mr. A. G. Wille, nominated member of the State Council, to the amendment recommended by the Standing Committee empowering the speaker to allow members to speak in Sinhalese or Tamil in debates on special occasions.

KARACHI, Feb. 12: The Karachi Aero Club has been permitted to resume civil flying on a restricted scale.

BRITISH DELEGATION'S IMPRESSIONS

"India Must Be Independent This Year"

Delay May Make Britain Lose Goodwill

LONDON, FEB. 13 (REUTER): A SENSE OF URGENCY OF THE INDIAN POLITICAL SITUATION WAS REITERATED TODAY BY SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE ALL-PARTY DELEGATION FROM PARLIAMENT WHICH HAS NOW RETURNED FROM ITS VISIT TO INDIA, CABLES E. FRASER WIGHTAN, REUTER'S POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

Lord Chorley told me: "The situation is very urgent. We had very friendly reception personally, but hostility to the British Government is very marked, and also lack of confidence in Britain's intention to do anything serious."

Tremendous feeling was being worked up in favour of Pakistan. How far down it went into the working class was difficult to gauge, but it seemed fairly strong among the people.

Mr. Reginald Sorensen described the trip as invaluable.

He said: "A sense of urgency has been borne in on all of us and we hope very earnestly that steps will be taken in the near future to ease what otherwise might be a serious situation." He was not without confident hope for the future, and he believed that the position of the Muslim League and the Congress was not entirely irreconcilable. "I have come back with the warmest feeling of appreciation of the Indian people and to that extent I am sure our deputation has been of service to India and to Britain."

BRITAIN MAY LOSE GOODWILL

Major Woodrow Wyatt, said that his main feeling was that India had Government to be independent during this year.

He added: "Substance of power has to be transferred and although actual steps to full independence may take longer, they have to be set in irrevocable train this year; otherwise, Britain will lose all goodwill, which does exist for her in India behind the political animosity and which will be extremely valuable to her in the future."

Brigadier A. R. W. Low thought that there was a great change for the better, so far as the Delegation was concerned between the time they arrived in India and the time they left.

Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, said that they hoped to take the first possible opportunity of expressing their appreciation of the extraordinary amount of kindness they had received from all sides in India.

The leader of Delegation Prof. Richards, beyond saying that they had had a delightful time and were extremely grateful to the Indian people for reception they had been given, refused to comment upon the visit.

DISTASTEFUL NATURE OF DUTY

Henderson's Reply To Commons

LONDON, Feb. 12. (Reuter): Mr. Arthur Henderson, Under-Secretary for India, told the Commons to-day in reply to a question that it was not possible to fix a date for the termination of the tasks in Indonesia imposed upon troops of SEAC nor to substitute other troops for Indian forces now involved.

The British Government fully realised the distasteful nature of the duties and intended to withdraw both British and Indian troops as soon as their tasks were fulfilled

Laski Causes Sensation

LONDON, Feb. 12 (U.P.I.)—A great sensation has been caused in political circles in London by the statement made by Prof. Harold Laski, Chairman, British Labour Party, speaking at Holloway yesterday in which he said:

"The vital atomic factory in United States has never been seen by a single British, let alone a European Scientist."

This finally confirms the reports current in London that Britain so far does not possess knowledge of processes involved in the manufacture of atom bomb.

Prof. Laski went on to ruggest: "We must without delay destroy the existing stockpiles of atom bombs. Then we could proceed to discuss internationally current problems in certainty that for a period there is no danger that atomic bomb might be used by one power to compell submission of another power to its will. It was also imperative that all the secrets of atomic energy should be pooled."

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Sudden Spurt In New Great Shares On Stock Exchange

EARLY DROP ATTRACTS COVERING AND REPLACEMENT BUYING IN COTTON

Narrow Price Movement In Bullion Market

BOMBAY, Feb. 13.

The Share Bazar was steady. There was some support in Tata Steel Shares on hopes that Shorts will have to cover. However the market believes that when the Syndicate will liquidate sooner or later, it will be impossible to find buyers. The market in steel shares is automatically cornered and it will be admirable to have no interest in these manipulated position.

The special feature of day's session was extensive buying by old lulls of Colaba Mills in New Great Mill Shares which recorded a rise of Rs. 25.

Cements. Burmas, Scindia and Bank Shares were quietly steady.

The market will have to digest Budget proposals at the end of the month and it will be advisable to have no speculative interest in the market.

As a result of day's trading Tata Steel Dfds. gained Rs. 32. Ordinary Rs. 5. Bombay Dyeing Rs. 10, Kohinoors Rs. 6, Swadeshi Rs. 3, Nagpurs were unchanged. Simplex gained Rs. 3, New Great Rs. 25, Indore Rs. 2/8. Associated Cements lost As. 12. Burma Rs. 3/12, Scindia As. 6, and Indian Irons As. 4.

Textile Shares

Bombay Dyeing 2202/8 Century 945 Nagpur 432/8 Swadeshi 706 New Great 449 Simplex XD 329 Kohinoor 665 Colaba 365 Gokak 333 Phoenix 780 Mysore 297/8 Indian Bleaching 204/8 Swan 383/8 Finlay 331 Morarji 750 Indore 751/4 Edward Sassoon 830.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord 485/8 Tata Steel Dfd 2765

ELECTRIC

Tata Hydro 217 Andhra 1857/8 Power 1982/8 Tram Ord 157/4.

CEMENT

Associated Merger 237/8

INDUSTRIES

Burma 611/4 Alcock 460 Bellapur 249 Shivrajpur 58 Steamer Ord 672/8 Scindia 43 Construction 225.

CASH SECTION

Mills: Apollo 4/11/9 Elphinstane 89 I U Ord 17/6 Defd 3/7 Indiann Mfg. 3810 Kurla 330 Khatau 350 Dawn 1250 David 1295 New City 440 Minerva 261/4 Bradbury 420 Bharucha Dfds 14/14 Bharat 65/12 Madhavji 23/8 Model 276/4 Laxmi Cotton 1572/8 Vishnu Cotton 553/12 Western 3650 Standard 505 Sholapur 7115 Sassoon Cotton 25/8 Hindustan 3825 Meyer Sassoon 236/4 Tata Mills 81 Ahmd. Advance 465 Sassoon Silk 96 New Union 28/8 Poddar 360 Madhusudan 550 New 108 Shri Nivas 430 Raja Bahadur Poona 143/12 Berar 331/4.

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 231/4 New 170 Surat 262/8 Surat New Premium 132/8 Karachi 238/12 Broach 13/8 Ajmer 15 Amalgamated 20/8 Jalgaon 15/8 Nagpur 51 Poona 285 Bombay Suburban 232/8 New Premium 100.

BANKS

Reserve 156/8 Imperial 2400 P. P. XD 605 Central 107/12 India 230 Union 12/2 Baroda 166 Habib 87 International 62 A.B.C. 44 Dena Bank 67 United 92/4 Jaipur 72 Hindustan 56/8 National Savings F P 72 P P 40 Mysore 435 Exchange 56/8 Eastern 106.

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Ah. Prantij 711/4 C.P. 108 Mymensing Reb 116/4 Guaranteed 115 Mandra Bhon 112 Sara Sirajganj 116/4 Sialkot 117/8 New 54 Pachora 95 Hoshiarpur 117/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Burma New 218/12 Burma Petrol 6/3/3 Tata Oil 90/4 Mackenzie 174/6 Fort Canning 110/8 Kemp 660 Zandu 215 Indian Radio Ord 380 B 380 Dfds 375 Indian Investment Trust 127 Wimco 398/12 Tata Chemical 22/4 Dharamsi Chemical 37 Mukund Iron 14/7 Dena Trust 27 Alembic 361/4 Supreme Industries 230 Jam Wire 140 Bombay Uganda 84 Bombay Cycle 38/8 Indian Cement (1937) 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 752/8.

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel 1st 132/8 Tata Steel Second 172/4 Tram 74/12 Andhra 1617/8 Tata Power 1735 Hydro 166/4 Bombay Steam 350 Nagpur 742/8 Vishnu 780 Laxmi 302/8 New Great 255 Poddar 117 Shri Nivas 101 Elphinstone 138/12 Bradbury 542/8 Surat Elec 215 Premier Construction First 135 Premier Construction Second 135 Amalgamated 153/12 Tata Chemical 128/12 Walchandnagar Industries 550 Jupiter 18/10 Supreme 125/10.

OUTSIDE SHARES

Indian Iron Steel 53/14 Bengal Steel 44/10 Indian Copper 4/14 B. I. C. 8/10 Burma Corporation 7/14 New Victoria Mill 8/2 New Victoria Pref. 10/12 Raja Tex 66 Phalton 160 Gold Mohur 380 New Kaiser Hind 2450 Sajjan Mills 440 Osmanshahi 392/8 Ajamshahi 695.

BOMBAY COTTON

Yesterday the Cotton Market declined about Rs. 7 per candy on general liquidation. The selling was of a resotionary nature as professional operators with extensive interest in monthly teji mandi were opposed to the rise and contracts passed into weaker hands.

However it is admitted that there is great scarcity of staple cotton and the season advances will be almost impossible to get desired quality. Moreover cotton prices as compared with other commodities were unduly depressed and last year those who took deliveries against forward contracts had to suffer heavy losses. But now the situation is entirely changed and cotton prices will have to adjust as per inevitable law of supply and demand and even strongly favour purchases on all important declines.

The market was expected to open to-day at Rs. 449/8 for March delivery and the market opened at Rs. 449 and declined to Rs. 448/8 on scattered selling. At the decline there was some short covering and little replacement buying and March contract rallied to Rs. 450/4.

There was renewed selling and March declined to Rs. 447. At the decline there was renewed covering and March rallied to Rs. 448/8.

The market closed today at 3-30 p.m. as under:

I.C.C. March	449	0	0
I.C.C. May	460	4	0
I.C.C. July	470	12	0
I.C.C. September	477	4	0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton March contract is 853 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331.

High And Low Cotton Prices

	High	Low	Close
March	457	449/8	449/12
May	466/4	460/8	460/8
July	475	470/6	470/8
September	481	476/8	476/8

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Feb. 13

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG
Jarilla	461	456	451	446
4F Pun/American	506	501	496	491
L.S.S. American	567	562	557	552
289F American	634	629	624	619
Saw-Gd 289 F	682	679	674	669
M.G .N. T.	594	589	584	579
Compta	519	514	509	504

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Feb. 13

READY.

	1944/45 Crop.	1945/46 Crop.
C.P. 1 Jarilla	465/475	525/535
C.P. 2 Jarilla	440/455	500/510
Berar Jarilla	435/450	490/495
Punjab 289F	490/530	645/655
Punjab 289F sawgin	500/570	695/710
Sind N. T.	490/500	595/610
Mughai	390/410	475/480

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Feb. 13

Receipts into Bombay of Indian Cotton.

In full-pressed bales.	This year	Since 1st Sept. Last year
Khandesh	22,579	18,280
Central India	20,996	5,823
Barsi and Nagar	44,727	19,291
Hyderabad-Gaorani	13,312	9,095
Berar	1,50,286	74,674
Central Provinces	25,120	11,468
Total Oomras	2,77,020	1,38,631
Dholeras	1,35,068	33,520
N.-W. Provinces	215	200
Rajputana	6,218	694
Sind-Punjab	1 94,508	1,91,237
Broach	30,930	57,741
Coompta and Dharwar	27,280	29,087

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BOMBAY, February 13.

MILLS

Apollo 4/10 4/12 4/11/9
Bharat 65/12
Bharucha 14/12 15/4 14/12 14/14
B. Dyeing 2180 75 92/8 90 2201/4 2196/4 2206/4 2/8 8/12 3/12 10 2196/4 2206/4 2192/8 2202/8
Central India (Ord) 430 29 33/8 32/8 36 33/8 37/8 32 37 31 32/8
Century 955 45
Colaba 370 71 65
Edward 830
Elphinstone (Ord) 89
Elphinstone (Pref) 138/12
Finlay 328 32 30 31
Gokak 327 34 30 35 34 33
India United Defd. 3/7 3/7/6 3/7
India United Ord. 17/4 17/3/6 17/8 17/4/6 17/5/6 17/5
Indore 743/12 52/8 48/12 52/8 51/4 55 47/8 51/4
Kohinoor 656 59 58 61 59 64 63 56 65 67 66 70 66 69/8 63/8 65 64 65
Luxmi 1572/8
Madhavji 23 23/8
Madhusudan 550 (Ex-Right)
Meyer 232/8 36/4
Morarjee 747/8 30
New Great 410 18 15 24 21 49 42 52 42 49
Phoenix 780
Podar 360
Sassoon Cotton 25/8
Shrinivas 430
Simplex 323 31/8 29 31/8 27/8 29
Swadeshi 701 698 710 5/8 9 4 6 3 6
Swan 381 83/8
Tata Mills 81/8 81
Vishnu 553/12
Central Provinces Rly. 105
Sialkot Narowal Rly 117/8 (Ex-Div)

BANKS

Baroda 168/8 66
Central 107/4 7 8/4 7/12
Habib 87
Imperial (Old) 2402/8 2400
Imperial (New) 600
India 231/4 36 35
International 61 62
Union 12/2 12/1
United Commercial 92/4

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 231/4
Ajmer 15
Amalgamated 20/8
Andhra Valley (Ord) 1857/8
Tram (Ord) 157/12 57/4 57/8 37 57/8 57/4
Tram (Pref) 73/12 74/12
B. Suburban 230 32/8
Surat 262/8
Hydro 217/8 17
Power (Ord) 1982/8

INSURANCE

Jupiter 47/8 47/12
New India 94/8 93 94/8
Vulcan 19/6
Scindia 43 42/12 43/15 43/8 43/11 43/9 43/11 43

STEEL COS.

Bengal Steel 44/8 44/14 1 44/10
India Iron 53/8 54/1 53/14 54 53/14
Tata Steel Defd. 2730 25 33/12 31/4 40 37/8 45 37/8 55 52/8 56/4 52/8 70 55 72/8 60 65 55 61/4 56/4 65
Tata Steel Ord. 480/8 79/8 83 81/8 64 82/6 85 82/8 87 85 86 84 86 85/4
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. 171/12 71/8 72/4

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 460 58/12 60
A. Cement 238/4 37/8 38/6 37/8 37/12 37/8
Belapur 249 48/8 50 48/8 50 49
Burmah (Old) 612/8 10 15 7/8 12/8 11/4
Burmah (New) 218/12
B. Petrol 6/3 6/3/9 6/2/6 6/3/6 6/3/3
Indian Bleaching 204/8
Port Canning 110/8
P. Construction (Ord) 228 25
Shivrajpur 58 58/8 58
Tata Chemical (Ord) 22 20/6 22/8 21/12 22/8 22/4
Tata Oil 90/8 90 90/8 90/4
Western India Match 598/12
New Union Mills 28/8
Alembic Chemical (Ord) 361/4
Kemp Co. 660

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Westerns-Northerns	34,628	11,436
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	5,415	4,199
American	1,255	
Soudan	41,790	1
Egyptian (other than Soudan)	42,233	93,005
East African	1,52,991	63,211
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	8,627	1,741
	958,378	629,703
Arrived by road to 7th February	3,000	3,000

Shipment.	1st Sep. to 11th Feb. This year	Last year
United Kingdom	24,746	5,750
Continant	36,842	....
U.S.A. and Foreign Countries	17,499	3,049
Coast Ports	61,913	61,699
Total	1,41,000	70,498

GOLD & SILVER

The Bullion Market was quietly steady with a moderate business. In the absence of fresh supplies, there can not be any serious decline in quotations. To-day Forward Silver opened at Rs. 148/4 and after declining to Rs. 148 improved to Rs. 148/8 on renewed buying. At this rise there was some realising and the market steadied at Rs. 148/4. Ready Gold was steady at Rs. 93.

The market later ruled quiet on general liquidation. Closing quotations were as under:—

Ready Gold	92	8	0
Sovereigns	65	8	0
Ready Silver	148	0	0
Forward Silver	148	0	0

N. Y. SILVER.

New York, Feb. 12.

United States price of Foreign Silver 71.1 cents.

New York buying price 70.3/4 cents.

INCREASE OF RS. 9/- CRORES IN NOTES CIRCULATION

Weekly Statement Of Reserve Bank

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 for the week ended the 8th February:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	46,01,68,000
Notes in circulation	11,97,37,12,000
Total Notes issued	12,43,38,80,000
Total Liabilities	12,43,38,80,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 94.479 per cent.

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,45,000
Sterling Securities	11,30,32,89,000
Total of A	11,74,74,34,000
B. Rupee Coin	10,80,31,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	57,84,15,000
Total Assets	12,43,38,80,000

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government of India	488,31,87,000
(2) Government of Burma	2,05,76,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	18,08,53,000
(b) Banks	106,46,63,000
(c) Others	9,46,30,000
Bills Payable	4,14,75,000
Other Liabilities	10,34,18,000
Rupees	648,88,02,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Notes	46,01,68,000
Rupee Coin	42,51,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,83,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted: (c) Government Treasury Bills	1,63,64,000
Balances held abroad*	547,53,75,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	13,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	3,75,000
Investments	37,75,61,000
Other Assets	15,32,25,000
Rupees	648,88,02,000

*Includes Cash and Short Term Securities.

BOMBAY PRODUCE

BOMBAY, Feb. 13.

The produce market was quietly steady with a fair amount of business. Groundnuts Khandesh quality G.I.P. Rly. Rs. 21/6 and Bold Rs. 21/2. Nizam Khandesh quality Rs. 21/- and Bold Rs. 20/10. Madras Goa February March Rs. 20/4, Castorseeds Bombay Rs. 18/6, March May Navlakhi Rs. 18/10 and Goa Rs. 18/10. Linseed ready Rs. 22/4, February/March and March/May Rs. 22/4. Groundnut Oil ex-Mills Rs. 13/4, Tank Wagon condition Rs. 12/6 and April Rs. 12/9/6.

Indian Stock Exchange

BOMBAY Feb. 13.

Quotations at 2 p. m.

Tata Ordinary 485, Tata Deferred 2762/8, Indian Iron 54, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 44/4, Bombay Dyeing 2200, Central India 438/12, Century 952/8, Gokak 333/12, Kohinoor 665, Simplex 331, Andhra Valley 1851/8, Tata Hydro 216/14, Tata Power 1977/8 Associated Cement 239, Belapur 250, Bombay Burma (Old) 615.

Indore Share Quotations

INDORE Feb. 12.

To-day's closing quotations:—Indore Malwa 748, Hukamchand 934, Bhandarimall 1008, Vinodmall 727, Kalyanmall 369, Kalyanmal Pre. 191, Rajkumar 265, Indore Bank 82.

Sales Of Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Four Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 12th February. Total amount offered was Rs. 2,83,50,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-14-3 were accepted in full. Total amount accepted was Rs. 2,83,50,000 (Rupees Two Crores eighty three lakhs fifty thousand only), the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 0-7-0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Four Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 19th February 1946 in Bombay upto 11 A.M. and upto the close of business on Monday the 18th February at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 22nd February. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 8th February, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 96,50,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

LONDON BULLION.

London, February 12 (Reuter): Spot 44d. Forward 44d Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/12/3.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Feb. 12.

T. T. London on:—New York sellers 4.02.1/2 buyers 4.03.1/2, Madrid official 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.45 Zurich sellers 17.3, buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

ANGLO-AMERICAN AVIATION PACT

BERMUDA, Feb. 12 (A.P.A.): The United States and Britain to-day signed an agreement which, it is hoped, will set a world air freedom standard.

these principles is to encourage the terms said: 'The deliberate trend of the principles is to encourage the use of air transport and to stimulate air travel at economic rates.'

The agreement:

1. Permits airlines of both countries to pick up at any intermediate point passengers destined for a 'third country'

2. Establishes inter-governmental action to avoid rate wars and profiteering.

3. Outlines the routes each country's planes will fly over the other's territory.

4. Provides for consultations between America and Britain on civil aviation affairs.

5. Makes arrangements for any dispute which cannot be settled through bilateral consultations to be brought before the Provisional International Advisory Civil Aviation Organisation at Montreal.

A provisional document has also been drafted concerning the use of American military air bases on territory leased from the British which will be signed after both countries agree on its legal phraseology.

KING ZOG SAILS FOR EGYPT

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12 (A.P.A.): Former King Zog of Albania who escaped from his native land soon after it was overrun by the Italians in 1940, sailed for Egypt today.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 13.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16. London Banks selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32.

London Banks buying T. T. 1/6 1/32. London Banks buying D. D. 1/6 1/16. London Banks buying 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th month.

London Banks buying 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th month.

New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 3/4.

New York Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 332 3/4.

New York Banks buying T. T. Rs. 329 1/2.

New York Banks buying D. D. Rs. 328 1/2.

Montreal Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 302 1/2.

Montreal Banks buying T. T. Rs. 299.

Montreal Banks buying D. D. Rs. 297 1/2.

Paris Banks selling T. T. Fcs. 3550.

Paris Banks buying T. T. Fcs 3650.

Amsterdam Banks selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79 1/2.

Java Banks selling T. T. D. D. ——.

Hongkong Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs 84.

Shanghai Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 17 1/4 Nom.

Singapore Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 157 1/2.

New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.03 3/8.4.03.1/2.

London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 1s/16.1/3 3/32.

London/Shanghai Cross Rate 3d. to 3 1/16d.

London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/3 15/16 to 2/4 5/32.

London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 479.70 to 480.30.

London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 176 1/2 — 3/4.

London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 17.30 — 40.

London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 16.85 — 95.

London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32 19.36.

London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 1/2 — 4.03 1/2.

London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.43 4.45.

London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68 10.70.

London/Java Cross Rate Fl. 7.58/7.62.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet.

London Discts: 3 Months 17/32 p.c. London Discts: 6 Months 9/16.5/8 p.c.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call 1/4 p.c., 3 months 1/2 p.c. 6 months 3/4 p.c. 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.

Tone:—Easy.

Tata Iron Monthly Production

Messrs. Tata Sons. Ltd., Managing Agents for the Tata Iron and Steel Co., Ltd., report that the total approximate production of Iron and Steel at the Steel Works at Jamshedpur during the month of January, 1946, was:—

		Tons.
Pig Iron		93,800
Steel Ingots		91,100
FINISHED STEEL		
Semis for sale	12,900	
Finished	53,800	66,700

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Feb. 12.

Wheat Rosario Santa Fe (new crop) unoffered Australian Wheat (bulk) 64/5 quoted Feb.-March. Australian Wheat (bags) unoffered.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Feb. 12.

	£
Rupee Paper 3.1/2 pc	75.1/4
Consols 2-1/2 pc	92.1/2
Conversion Loan 3.1/2 pc 1961	109.3/8
War Loan 3.1/2 pc	105-1/16
Funding Loan 4 pc 1960/90	115.7/8
Victory Bonds 4 pc	114.5/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	10-11/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	88
National Bank of India	39.3/4

Master Bambi To Speak Hindustani

Walt Disney's Cartoons For India

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13. Reuter): Birds and beasts of Walt Disney's cartoons will soon speak Hindustani for Indian audiences.

The story of Bambi—a tale of deer and other forest creatures—will be the first of the technicolour cartoons to have the dialogue transposed from English in an Indian film studio.

The Director of the Disney Studios Foreign Department, Mr. John Cutting will arrive in India early in May to begin the editing and technical work on the Hindustani version.

7 Lakhs Of Indians Observe 'Hartal'

COLOMBO, Feb. 12. (A.P.I.): More than 700,000 both workers and businessmen, throughout the island staged a demonstrative one day hartal today to protest against the denial to Indians in Ceylon of "elementary rights of franchise and citizenship".

DEFICIT BUDGET FOR KARACHI

KARACHI, Feb. 12 (A.P.I.): The first peacetime budget of Karachi Municipal Corporation shows a deficit of Rs. 5,72,000 in the 1946-47. The estimates of revenue is Rs. 76,40,000 and the expenditure Rs. 82,12,000.

RAILWAYS' DELEGATES ELECTION RESULT

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The counting of votes in the primary elections for two seats from the Railway Unions was completed today in the afternoon at the Council Hall.

It is understood that out of the 73 delegates, who have been elected to form an electoral college for the final elections, 37 are of the Communist Party, 22 of the Congress and 14 of the Royists.

24 delegates of the G.I.P. Railway Union represent 10 Communists, 8 Congressmen and 6 Royists.

The B.B. and C.I. Railway Men's Union has 19 Communists and 2 Congressmen out of its quota of 21 delegates. The Employee's Union of the same Railway out of its share of 14 delegates has 8 Royists, 3 Congressmen and 3 Communists.

The counting of votes of the M. S. M. Railway Men's Union held at Hubli was also over today. It is learnt reliably that its 14 delegates include 9 Congressmen and 5 Communists.

The prospective candidates for the two seats are Mr. R. A. Khedrikar (Congress) and Mr. Shiv Vishal Singh (Communist). The Royists will put up either Mr. Raja Ram or Mr. L. H. Kale.

TAMIL NAD STUDENTS ENDORSE 'QUIT INDIA'

MADURA, Feb. 11 (A.P.I.): The first Tamil Nad Students' Congress, which concluded its session today, in a resolution endorsed the policy of "Quit India" adopted by the Indian National Congress in 1942, and congratulated the people, particularly students, who took part in the movement.

Dr. Roy Appeals For Help In Money & Kind

Aims To Equip Congress Medical Mission

CALCUTTA, Feb. 13. (A.P.I.): In an appeal to the public for help, both in money and kind, to equip the Congress Medical Mission which is shortly proceeding to Malaya for medical relief, work, Dr. B. C. Roy, the organiser, says that it is their desire to give the personnel of the mission suitable medicines and equipments for three months' use. They are also negotiating to send two vans which will be fitted up as mobile dispensaries. They have arranged to send the first part of the mission to Kuala Lumpur and then decide their future course of action.

The men in Malaya and Burma, says Dr. Roy, require an even larger measure of medical relief than they are present allowed to send, and those who belonged to the INA and the Independent League are in great distress there.

Indian Lawyers In Singapore

SINGAPORE, Feb. 12. (Reuter): The Panel of Indian lawyers arrived in Singapore to-day.

Mr Bhashyam in an interview stated that the British military administration had been good enough to allow them to appear in courts and plead the cause of accused Indians as well as to do their utmost to facilitate proper administration of justice free from prejudice.

STOP THESE ATOM WARS

1,000 Americans Petition Truman To Take Lead

LONDON, Feb. 12 (U.P.I.)—Opposition to the use of atom bombs in any future warfare is gaining ground. Following Prof. Harold Laski's strong attack yesterday against using atomic energy for human destruction, reports have been received in London that a similar plea has been made now even in America, the home of atom bombs.

According to report published in the "New York Times" and the "New York Herald Tribune," 1,000 prominent American citizens submitted today a petition to President Truman to take lead in organising "true World Government to prevent atom wars."

HUMAN SACRIFICE GETS LIFE SENTENCE.

PATNA, Feb 12 (A. P. I.): For offering human sacrifice to propitiate the "demon of cholera," a villager of Sitala Chunan in Arah District, Soharan Dhangar, has been sentenced to transportation for life by the Sessions Judge of Arah.

LAHORE, Feb. 12. (A.P.I.):—Mr. Justice Khosla of the Lahore High Court, today, released on interim bail seven supporters of the Nawab of Mamdot, a Muslim League candidate contesting a seat to the Punjab Legislative Assembly. They were arrested on Feb. 7th last on complaints filed by two supporters of Pir Mohd. Sarvar Bodla, a rival Unionist candidate.

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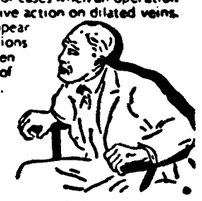

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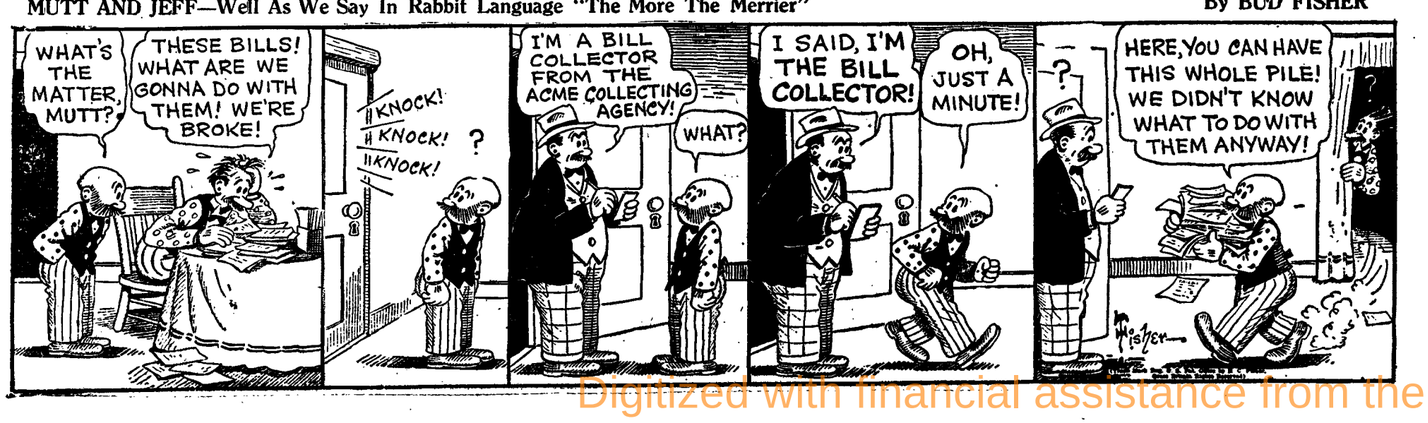
MUTT AND JEFF—Well As We Say In Rabbit Language "The More The Merrier" By BUD FISHER


WHAT'S THE MATTER, MUTT?
THESE BILLS! WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO WITH THEM! WE'RE BROKE!
KNOCK! KNOCK! KNOCK!
I'M A BILL COLLECTOR FROM THE ACME COLLECTING AGENCY!
WHAT?
I SAID, I'M THE BILL COLLECTOR!
OH, JUST A MINUTE!
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Wanted Experienced Hardworking Honest one Ice Factory Engineer and one for Oil Mill at Lucknow free quarters allotted apply immediately with copies of testimonials. Box No. 848 "Bombay Chronicle". Bombay Employment Exchange Sanction No. 89.

Wanted at once a Hindu M.B.B.S., or M.D. (Mid.), D.G.O., Doctor (Lady preferred). Scale: Rs. 200-15/2-350 Free Quarters. Special Terms for higher qualifications and experience to be settled at personal interview. Apply to the President, Mahajan Committee, The Hindu Surat Charity Fund, Balaji Road, Surat. (6674)

Wanted a fully qualified and experienced Matron with maternity Hospital experience. Scale 75-5-125 free quarters and uniform. Special terms for special qualifications and experience to be fixed at personal interview. Apply to the President, Mahajan Committee, The Hindu Surat Charity Fund, Balaji Road, Surat. (6674A)

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Wanted proficient stenographer, State educational and technical qualifications and age also minimum salary acceptable. Apply to Box No. 868, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted smart and honest young matriculates as Booking-clerks for an up-to-date Theatre. Cash Security essential. Apply with copies of testimonials to Box No. 872 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted: Assistant doctors and trained compounders as well as accounts clerk for the Blind Relief Mission, New Shukrawari, Nagpur. Posts permanent, salary according to experience. Apply or see immediately Secretary. (6676)

Wanted Shorthand Typist and Graduate or Undergraduate as General Clerk for Correspondence Gujrati knowing preferred. Pay according to qualifications. Apply to Secretaries, Bombay Humanitarian League, 149, Shroff Bazar, Bombay 2. 852

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents or Wholesale dealers, The Krishna Button Mfg. Co., Dacca, (Bengal). (826)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

SEPARATED MILK POWDER FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION.

Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Castle, 11th February 1946

ORDER

No. MC/SMP/128/F.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Bombay is pleased to amend the Order issued in Government Notification in the Finance Department (Supply) No. 57 (G)/IV-C(a), dated the 15th November 1945 as follows, namely:—

To clause 1 of the said Order, the following proviso shall be added, namely:—

"Provided that it shall not be necessary for the holder of a valid foodgrains ration cards, (not being a temporary foodgrains ration card or a supplementary foodgrains ration card for a manual labourer) issued under the Bombay Rationing Order 1943, on which such holder is shown as the head of a family, to obtain such permit for obtaining supplies of skim milk powder in quantities not exceeding 4 lbs. during a month and not more than four times during the said period from a dealer duly authorised by the Milk Commissioner or the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay."

With reference to sub-rule (1) of rule 119 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that notice of the said Order should be given by: (a) publication of the same in the Bombay Government Gazette; (b) the issue of a Press Note summarising and explaining its provisions; (c) publication of the same in the following newspapers, namely: 1. Times of India, 2. Bombay Chronicle, 3. Morning Standard, 4. Free Press Journal, 5. Nawakal, 6. Nava Shakti, 7. Vatan, 8. Iqbal, 9. Inquilab, 10. Mumbai Samachar, 11. Jam-e-Jamshed, 12. Janmabhumi, 13. Vishwamitra.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
D. S. BAKHLE,
Joint Secretary to Government.
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NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the partnership firms of Messrs. Laxmi Dyeing and Printing Works and Goenka Trading Company consisting of Murlidhar Gupta, Ramnivas Dalmiya and S. N. Bhattacharya as partners have been dissolved as, and from the 11th of February 1946.

Dated this 12th of February 1946.
SHAH & CHINUBHAI,
Attorneys for Murlidhar Gupta and Ramnivas Dalmiya.
(6675)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that share certificate No. 3553 of Rs. 100/- face value in the name of Yagaina Govindappa of Sagar issued by the MAHARAJA OF MYSORE SPG. & MFG. CO. LTD. which went into liquidation in 1894, has been LOST or MISLAID.

Under an agreement between the liquidators of the MAHARAJA of MYSORE SPG. & MFG. CO LTD. and the MYSORE SPG. & MFG. CO. LTD. (whose present Managing Agents are N. SIRUR & CO. LTD.) entered into in 1894, the holder of each such share of Rs. 100/- in the former Company is entitled to ALLOTMENT of an Ordinary share of the face value of Rs. 50/- in the latter Company.

Any claim in respect of the LOST share should therefore be made to us at the Registered Office of the Company, 70, Forbes Street, Fort, Bombay, within 30 days of this NOTICE failing which we shall proceed with the allotment of share.

For The Mysore Spg. & Mfg. Co. Ltd.,
N. SIRUR & CO. LTD.,
Managing Agents,
V. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Managing Director.
Bombay, dated 14th February 1946.
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NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Mr. Shankerrao Laxman Pandhulkar and his son Mr. Baburao alias Saradkumar S. Pandhulkar who were working with us are no more with us from 12th February 1946 and hence nobody should have transactions of any kind on our behalf with them. Anybody doing so, does it at his own risk.

For Sampat Saraiya & Co.
NARSINHDAS D SARAIYA.
Sole Proprietor
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY—SIND

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED before 23-3-1946 for the post of EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, ELECTRICAL DIVISION AND ELECTRIC INSPECTOR, BOMBAY PROVINCE. Pay:— Rs. 510-1020, PLUS war allowance. AGE:— Ordinarily not more than 35 years on 1-2-1946. QUALIFICATIONS:— (i) Corporate Membership of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, England, or a degree in Electrical Engineering of a recognised University, (ii) 5 years' practical experience in an electrical or mechanical engineering workshop or electrical power station, and thereafter, regular engagement for 5 years in the practice of electrical engineering. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and UNCROSSED POSTAL ORDER for Re. 1 payable to "Secretary, Bombay—Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will supply particulars on request.
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SCHEDULED CASTE CANDIDATES.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the award of the Government of India Scholarships for 1946-47 to students belonging to the scheduled Castes in British India who wish to pursue their studies in Scientific, Technological and Professional Subjects, including short period stipends for shorthand and typewriting, beyond the Matriculation stage. These scholarships are tenable for studies in India only. NO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDIES ABROAD WILL BE AWARDED BY THE BOARD THIS YEAR.

Applications for scholarships should be submitted in the prescribed form (obtainable free of charge, from the SECRETARY, SCHEDULED CASTE SCHOLARSHIP BOARD, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, NEW DELHI) through the Head of the Institution attended or last attended by the candidate.

The last date for receipt of applications is April 30th, 1946. Candidates who applied last year but were not selected should submit fresh applications.
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NOTIFICATION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, BOMBAY.

Under Section 23 of the Bombay City Police Act, IV of 1902.

ZONAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

Regulation of traffic in the vicinity of the Brabourne Stadium between 10-0 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. from the 15th February 1946 to the 20th February 1946 (both days inclusive) and on 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th February, 1946.

Jamshedji Tata Road from its junction with Churchgate Street to its junction with Dinshaw Vachha Road will be closed to North-bound vehicular traffic.

Dinshaw Vachha Road from its junction with Jamshedji Tata Road to its junction with Marine Drive will be closed to East-bound vehicular traffic.

Marine Drive from its junction with Dinshaw Vachha Road to its junction with Churchgate Street will be closed to South-bound vehicular traffic.

PARKING: Vehicles will park on the following roads:—

1. Dinshaw Vachha Road,
2. Jamshedji Tata Road between Dinshaw Vachha Road and Churchgate Street
3. Marine Drive
4. "A" Road North of Churchgate Street.
5. "B" Road North of Churchgate Street.

H. E. BUTLER,
Commissioner of Police.
Head Police Office:
Bombay, 11th February 1946.
6683

AUCTION SALE

Under kind instructions from the Regional Disposal Commissioner, Bombay, the undersigned will offer sale by Public Auction on Tuesday and Wednesday the 19th and 20th February, 1946 at 10-30 a.m. sharp at M. T. Breakdown Depot, Dehu, Dehu Road, (near Poona).

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES CALCUTTA.

The Office of the D.D.G. (Production) and Controller of Supplies, Bengal Circle, has been folded into the Procurement and Development Branches of the Industries and Supplies Department at Calcutta. All correspondence relating to the undermentioned subjects should hereafter be addressed as follows:—

(1) Production in D.D.G. (Production)'s factories: to the Controller of Production 1, Fairlie Place, Calcutta
(2) Controls: to the Deputy Director General (Development), 6, Esplanade East Calcutta.
(3) Purchase and Procurement: to the Director of Procurement (CS) 15|16, Government Place East, Calcutta.
(4) Priorities: to Deputy Director General (Stores & Transport), 6, Esplanade East, Calcutta.

V. S. MUDALIYAR,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.
(6679)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED on or before the 25th of February 1946 for eight temporary posts of Assistant Publicity Officers. Appointments will be made for a period of six months in the first instance, pending selection of candidates by the Federal Public Service Commission. Officers selected for the temporary period can apply when the posts are advertised by the Commission.

PAY: Rs. 200-10-300 P. M. plus dearness allowance.

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QUALIFICATIONS: (a) Degree of recognised University subject to relaxation in suitable cases.

(b) Practical experience in a reputable advertising firm or Government Publicity Department or experience in canvassing or salesmanship in a reputable firm.

Persons with local contacts will be given preference. Assistant Publicity and Recruiting Officers of the Technical Training Scheme eligible for the posts.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR,
of Resettlement & Employment,
B.P.
(Parsi Bazar Street, Hasan Chambers, Fort, Bombay).
Bombay, 13-2-46.
(6680)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. SHAKUNTALA NARAYAN ULLAL of Khar, Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my Client. Any person having any claim by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, residence, use, maintenance, charge or whatsoever on or upon the said property is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at Nath Bhuvan, 2nd Floor Picket Road, Kalbadevi, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

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Dated this 12th day of February, 1946.

MAHESH N. MAJUMDAR AND MANKODI,
Purchaser's Advocate.
(6673)

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

Insolvency No. 13 of 1946

Re VISSONJI HANSRAJ & CO., a partnership firm carrying on business as seeds merchants at 116 New Chinchbunder Road, Bombay ..... Debtors.

Ex parte: MESSRS NANJI DAMJI & CO. ... Petitioning Creditors.

On the 8th day of February 1946 an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 12th day of February 1946.

K. K. DASTUR,
Insolvency Registrar.
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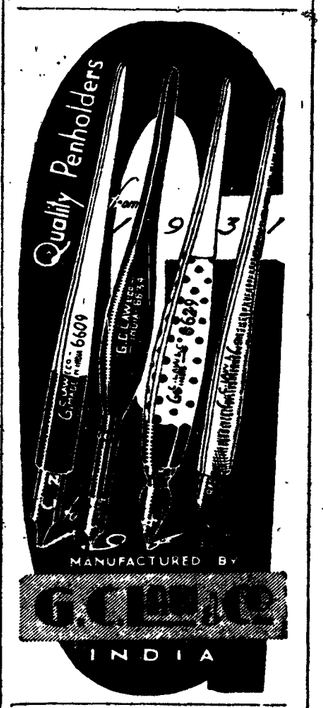

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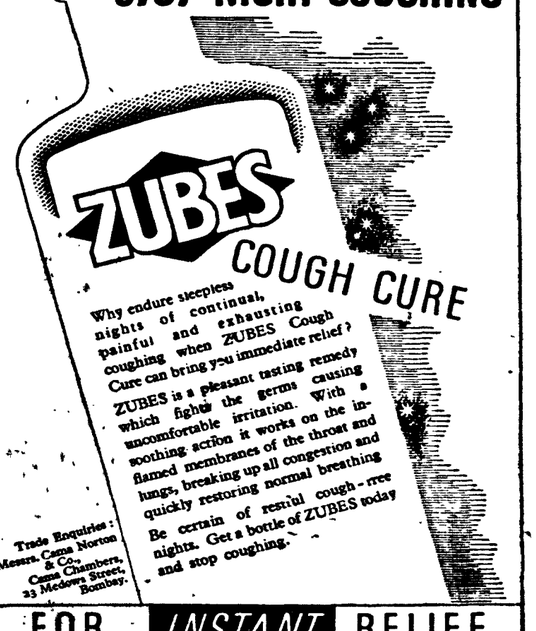
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